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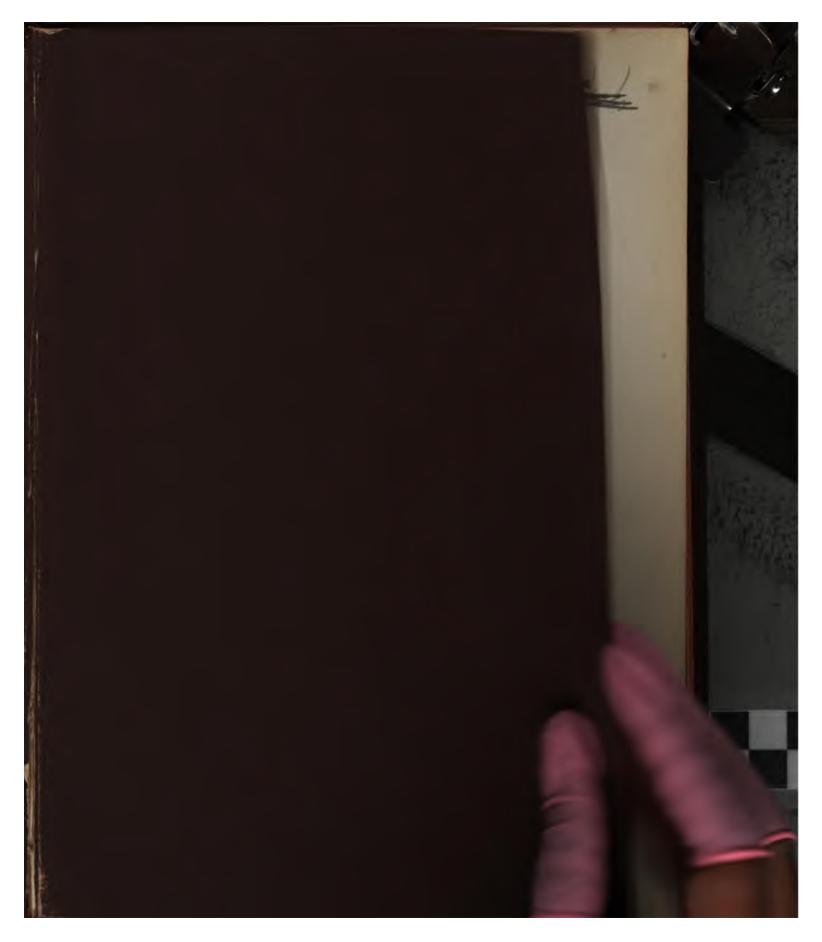
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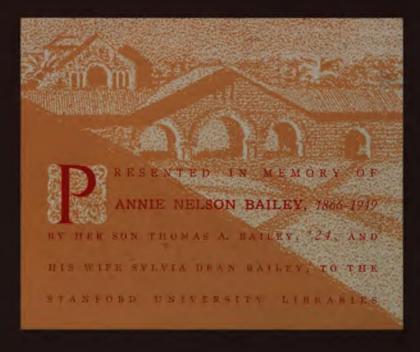
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THE ACCOUNTS

OF THE

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1489-1844.

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PREFACE.

THE value of Churchwardens' Accounts as sources from which facts are frequently obtained upon which not only parochial but national history is built is now so fully appreciated that any apology, it is presumed, for the publication of the following sheets is unnecessary.

But a few prefatory words of explanation appear desirable. The Editor secured by purchase in the year 1860 or thereabouts, from the late Mr. Cox, then a baker and flour dealer in Market Street, Leicester, a large volume containing 773 pages of the original Manuscript Accounts of the Churchwardens of S. Martin, Leicester, bound in rough calf with a pair of strong clasps, and dating from the year 1544 to the year 1645. Mr. Cox's statement was to the effect that the volume had then been in his possession for about fifty years, and that he bought it at a second-hand bookstall and had preserved it on account of its local character. This volume is referred to by Throsby (with whose family

Mr. Cox was, I believe, connected by marriage) in his History: both he and Nichols give many extracts from it which, however, are frequently incorrect.

The acquisition of this volume by the present Editor induced him to write "A Chronicle of the Church of S. Martin in Leicester," which appeared in the year 1866.

The use then made of the MS. volume, however, by no means exhausted its interest, and, inasmuch as the chronicle only related to events preceding the year 1585, there was of course, a large portion of it not utilized in any way.

Being quite aware that a volume of such local interest should not be in private hands but restored to the custody of the Churchwardens of the parish from whose care it ought never to have been removed, the Editor, preparatory to handing it over to them, has made a faithful and full transcript of the earlier entries, and copious extracts from the later years, as will be shown in the table of contents of this volume. This being printed there is no danger of the information derivable from the original being lost through the accidental destruction of the MS., or by its loss through the carelessness of its custodians.

Subsequently the Editor was able to make extracts from the later Churchwardens' Books extending from the year 1744 to the year 1844. Nichols, in his History of the County of Leicester (vol. i., part 2), gives some extracts of entries from other books of the Churchwardens of the Parish of S. Martin, Leicester, dating from 1489 to 1544, and from 1645 to 1737; as these books are not now to be found, and as that History is now a rare, and very expensive, and so not an easily accessible book, it is thought desirable to incorporate most of the extracts there printed in the present volume and so present, with a very slight break, a continuous selection of transcripts and extracts from the Churchwardens Books for nearly four centuries, viz., from 1489 to 1845.

It is hoped that this plan will meet with the approbation of those who may take an interest in the contents of the following pages.





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LEICESTER.

SECTION I.

1489-1513.

(Extracts as given by Nichols:—"History of Leicestershire," Vol. I., Part ii., p. 569.)

Anno 1489.

Rec' pro oblatione in die Dedicationis	4 s.	8d.
Assumptionis B. Marie	3s.	4 <i>d</i> .
Omnium Sanctorum	5s.	5 d .
Nativitatis Domini	7s.	
Paschæ	I 25.	8d.

N.B. On the same days, besides the oblations, they had also gatherings for the church works.

See the book in 1499; and in 1512 it is expressed, "ad opus fabricæ ecclesiæ."

See the years 1493, 1495, 1506, 1571, 1577.

Et tunc (scil' ad Nativitatem Domini) parochiani concesserunt sedibus faciendis in navi ecclesiæ, qualibet die Dominica, quilibet secundum

pietatem suam, viz., 2s. 1d. ob qua ut habetur in libro inde scripto. Here follows an account of the sums collected every Lord's-day from Christmas till Midsummer. And in the following year,

Solut' Thomæ Walker campanistæ, pro suo quarterio 10d.; and so quarterly.

Solut' Johanni Nicoll Carpentario, pro sedibus 10s. & 10s. & 10s. & 13s. 4d.; and so the following years.

Tegulario, pro emendatione capellæ Beatæ Annæ, 17d.

Willielmo Wells, pro cerà ad altum Crucifixum in navi ecclesiæ 25. 10d.

Pro 6 libris Calendariorum ad Natale Domini 6d.

Pro funiculo pro stellà 1d. ob.

Paid for three ells of cloth to make a rochet for the clerk, and making 2s. 1d. ob.

1490, 1491.

Paid for two load of clay to mend between the vestry and St. Anne's chapel, and workmanship 12d.

Paid to a man to keep the church, in the vacation of a clerk, for four weeks, 2s.

Mr. Mayor's pew made.

Paid for making St. George's candlestick 2s. 2d.

For painting the Vestry and St. Anne's chapel 6s. 10d.

1492.

Paid to the players on New-year's day at even in the church 6d. For mending the silver candlestick 20d.

For keeping the Sepulchre and . . . the long altar 8d to the clerk. For a key for the torch coffer 2d.

1493.

At Christmas, they paid, for holly and ivy ob. 1493; 1d. 1494; 2d. 1495; and so other years.

They spent 13 pounds of candles in the church 13d. 1495; 14d. ob. 1498.

They spent 15 pounds of tallow candles 20d. 1521.

In Henry Seventh's time they had often church ales; but they seem to be left off in Henry Eighth's time.

1495.

At Easter, for the rood-light 20d.

At the procession to St. Margaret's on Whit monday, they received yearly 6d. 1495.

The treat in 1495 was in bread 6d.; 1513, 16d. In ale 11d.; 1498, 20d.: 1515, 18d. Flesh od.

N.B. For many years there was constantly a calf.

1498.

Received of the church ale the first day, i.e. on Sunday next after the Assumption 175. 5d.

Item, on our Lady's Assumption 2s. 7d. ob.

Paid for bread to the church ale and flesh 4s.

Item, bread on our Lady day Assumption 2d.

Received of the church ale holden of St. Bartholomew's even 38s. 1d. In 1499 they had at the church ale powdered beef 2s. and cheese 10d.

There were 12 apostles, 14 banner bearers, and 4 that bear up the canopy, each allowed 1d. for their labour, 1523; but other years they used to be feasted; and nothing given them. They had musick went before the Mary, sometimes a harp, for which paid 4d., 1507; 2d. 1523; a minstrel 2d. 1515.

With these Virgins went in procession; spent on them 3d. 1518.

N.B. The Apostles names were wrote on parchment, for which paid 4d. 1499. They used to spend in points 1d.; tucking strings and whipcord 2d; gloves 2 pair 2d. which, 1505, are said to be for God and St. Thomas of India, but there were three pair for two ladds and St. Thomas of India 1515.

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1507.

Paid for a day's work, mending all the red copes of silk 4d.

Item, a day's work, mending the red suit of velvet 4d.

Item, two day's work mending the Trinity banner and the great streamer of silk 10d.

1512.

In 1513, a calf 2s. 4d.; three calves heads and a yew 8d.

In 1525 a calf &c. 3s. 8d.; and for the breakfast three calves' heads and two plucks.

Id. and half a calf 9d. &c. &c. Dressing, fire, and other things 4d. In 1513 spice 1d. ob. and at other times.

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SECTION II.

1544-1566.

- (An exact Transcript of every entry from the original MS. volume made by the Editor).

1544. Buryals of wyche the bels be not p ⁴ for.*		
Itm a Childe at Mr. Wests iij bels at his buryall		viijd.
Itm at the buryall of Alis Symons iij bels		viijd.
Itm for the buryall of Robert Browne iij bels		viijd.
Itm for the buryall of a yong ma yt deptyd at mystris		•
Symons iij bels		viijd.
Itm for the buryall of Robt Brownes wiffe iij bels		•
Itm for the buryall of Willm Hewyts mayd iij bels		viijd.
Itm at the buryall of Syr Robt Cowp v bels	vs.	iiijd.
Itm at the buryall of S' Ihon Mayssy iiij bels.		
Itm for the buryall of Margaret pinn v bels	vs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm for the buryall of Ihon Shirwin iiij bels		•
Itm for the buryall of leyonard procters wiffe vb	vs.	iiijd.
Itm for the buryall of Georg Deyvels wiffe vb	vs.	iiijd.
Itm for the Beyryall of Ihon psons v bels	vs.	iiijd.
Itm ffor the buryall of Ihon tyms Dought iij bels		viijd.
Itm unpd for the buryall of Willm tayler's wiff summ ijs.		•
Itm for the buryall of Georg Dayvels wiffe in the chirche	vjs.	viij <i>d</i> .

[•] The Book, which has been rebound, opens thus with an incomplete Account, without heading, for the official year 1544-5.

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[1544-5.]

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Other Obbytts.

Rychard Fynnes obbyt iiij bels		XX.		
Itm Thoms Draks obbyt iiij bels		XXI.		
It' Mr. Ihon Wigstons obbit v bels	iiijs.			
Itm Mr. Wymeswolds obbyt iiij bels		xxa.		
Rt for my lord of Huntingdons obbit of a gardin				
geven to the Town of Edmond cowper	ijs.	iiij <i>J</i> .		
Sm			xis.	iiij <i>i</i> .
Item leaft vnpayd at the the viij daye of				
februrevev		ix <i>i</i> .		

Payments 1544.

Furste paid to thoms Skipton for mydsom? q?
frauncis clarke for the same quart xvjd. Robart Sextyn for the same quarter ijs. viijd.
Paid to Rodis for a rope for the clok

Paid to Robart Goldsmyth for meding the	
Chalis belongyng to sent georgs chapell*	
and a pix xvjd.	
Paid to Rychar hyggyns for ij bell ropis and	
a chyme rope xxijd.	
Paid for iiijli. wax and a li. di. & di. a qr weke	
[wick] for a torch+ and makyng the same ijs. vd.	
Dyscharge.	
Paid to The Sextyns wiffe for wasshing chirch cloths	iijs. iiijd.
Paid for a nother bell rope to higgins	xd.
P ⁴ to Syr Willim borough for the watche makyng	ijs.
P ⁴ for a ledder for the Chirche	xij <i>d</i> .
Paid for ijli. Candill for the Lantarn in the Chirch	ijd. ob.
P ⁴ more for meding the pix	vjd.
P ⁴ for wyre for the Chyme	vjd.
P4 to Robart Crofte for a day wark at the store hows	vd.
Itin for a pesse of tymb. for the groundsyll	vijd.
Itîii Laths and nels to the same and gt nels	vijd. ob.
P ⁴ more to Robart Sextyn for torching ther	iij <i>d</i> .
P ⁴ to the plumar for a dais ware on o'. Lady Chappell§	vij d.
Paid to a glasyar for meding the glas	iiij <i>d.</i>
P4 to Thoms pye for a gemo and nels	iij <i>d.</i>
Pd to Robart Crofte for Di. a Day worke for the chyme	
And for a plaster stud	vd.
P4 to Robard Sextyn for helping the plum ⁹	iiij d.
P4 more to Robard Sextin for torching the store hows	
and workyng in other places in the chirch	viij <i>d</i> .

[•] Traditionally believed to have been at the western end of the great south aisle.

⁺ A large altar taper.

^{*} Called also the "Chyrche House" and the "Tressure House:" it was there that "Church ales" were held.

[§] Our Lady's altar stood at the eastern end of the great south aisle and was served by the priests of the Guild of Corpus Christi.

^{||} A hinge.

Sm iiijli. vijs. vijd.

viiid.

^{*} An Annual Procession to S. Margaret's Church on that day. + Read or sung by a priest standing by the Rood. [†] For the Hallowed Fire.

IHC

Ano Dni 1.5.4.6.

Thacompte of Recharde Reynsforde and Henry Mabley churche wardens of sent motyrs in leic' made on palme sonday the xviij of Aprell In the yere of or lorde god Mcccccxlvi^u before Mr. Cotton then maire of the towne of leic Mr. gyllot Mr. Renolds Mr. Wood Mr. May Mr. Vicare wth dyv's other in or ladys quere win the same churche.*

Receytes.

Imp'imis.

Receved of Willim Manby my Bdicessor of the foote of his Acompte in money of the churche stocke at my firste entre vz: on Palme sonday the xxix^u of marche ano dni Mcccccxlvⁱⁱ sm⁹.

ixs. vid. ob.

Offeryng Days

And Rd on schere thursday and at Ester of the pyschyons⁹ at godds borde sm^{')} xvs. iijd. ob. Itm at sent m⁹ grets churche at whitson- xxxiiijs. xd. ob. tide ijs. ijd. Itm at mydsom' quarte vs. ixd. Itm at Michalmes vs. vjd. and at Estemas vjs. ijd.

of forty shillings."

[.] This was in accordance with an Order made at a Common Hall in the 2nd year of Henry VIII, which enacted "that the mayor for the time being shall every year take the Accompts for the church of S. Martin within his time under pain

^{+ &}quot;Sheer Thursday," the Thursday in Holy week: on that day "in old fathers' days the people would sheer their heads & clip their beards . . . & so make them honest against Easter day."

Plate solde And Rd. of Mr. tallance then maire of covetre the xjth day of auguste for sten plate sold to hym as apperith by hys pticuler byll therof sm ²
And Rd. at thobbet of Mr. Wymeshold for iiij bells
buryalls Itm Rd of leon deproter for youryall of hys Wyffe dew the laste yere for very bells vs. iiijd. Itm for Iohn Scherwyn dewe the last yere for iiij bells vs. xxd. Itm for Sr Iohn Red buryall your vij. day of Aprell for very bells well as the last yere for iiis.
gylde obets Itm Rd at thobbet of Mr. Swyks for iij bells
Sm: paginexxviijli. xjs. viid.

	(Itii for ye buryall Mr. Clought	v bells &	ſ
	lyenge in yo churche	xijs.	
	Itîii Agnys brown iiij belles	xxd.	
	Itm Best Wyffe iij belles	viijd.	
	Ithi ij chyldren of Withm Ma ⁹ bres		
	thon iij bells & yo thod' iiij		
	bells	ijs. iiijd.	
	Itii Mr. gyllotts dought' iiij		
	belles	xxd.	
	Itii ij children of Anthony		
	Heires iij bells	viij <i>d</i> .	
	Itm Thomas byerd iij bells	viij d .	
	Itm Wittm Hewts maid iij belles	viijd.	
	Itm Withm Mathres maide iiij		
buryalls -	belles	xxd.	- xlixs. iiijd.
	Itm byards Wyffe iij bells	viij <i>d</i> .	
	Itm Iohn Hurdweke iij bells	viij <i>d</i> .	
	Itm Edward Howet v bells	vs. iiijd.	
	Itm Mr. Burton v bells & lyenge		
	in yo churche	xijs.	
	Itm Iohn tymsons wyffe iij		
	belles	viij d.	
	Itm Sr. Iohn Massye iiij bells	xxd.	
	Itm for one of John tymson		
1	chyldren iij bells	viij <i>i</i> .	
;	Itm for a nother of y same Johns		
	chyldren	viij d.	
	Itm for Thomas Renell & hys		
'	Wyffe in pte of paymet	V3.	l
	Itm Rd of ye chaherlayns as ap	pereth	
	by a oblygacyon		xxs. viijd.
	Itm so remayns vapt for Thom		
	# his With	v viijd.	i

buryalls	Itm for Mr. Wylcoks made v bells	-paid xvijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
	Cresse v bells & lyenge in yochurche xijs.	
hurdells	Itm Rd for yo Hurdells that were bought for yo skaffold sold for viijd	viij <i>d</i> .
	Sm ⁹ pagine iiij <i>li</i> . viijs. Sm ⁹ total: xxxij <i>li</i> . xviijs. vij <i>d</i> .	
	Payments.	
Imp*in	nis paid to Sr Willm borow for hys	
_	quart' ffe at mydsom' viijd.	
	Itm to frances clerke for his	
	quart' wages at ye same tyme ijs.	
	Itm to Thoms Skypton for hys	
	quart' wage at y' same tymeviijs. iiijd.	
	Itm to Robt Sexston for hys	
	quart' wage at ye same tyme ijs. viijd. Sm ⁹ xiijs. viijd.	
ffees	Itm at michalmes quarter as much in lyke mann ⁹ xiijs. viijd.	lixs. viijd.
	Itm at Estmas quarter in lyke	
	casexiijs. viijd.	
	Itm at thannunciacion of o' lady	
•	in lyke wysexiijs. viijd.	
	Itm to the glasiar for hys fee at	
	Ester xxd.	
	Itm to y sexstons Wyffe for	
	washenge y churche clothes iijs. iiijd.	

vid.

Itm pd in expencs ij dais at covetre when we sold the plate there for owr horses & owre selves..... iijs. id. Itm pd for a pece of tymbre of xx^u foot longe for the church Ile...... ijs. viijd. Itm for vi sparres x foot longe a pece for the same iiis. Itm for iii bords of ix foot longe a pece at ye same tyme ixd. Itm for one sparre of xxu foot longe xd. Churche Itm to Willm Manby for iiij xxxiiiis. Worke peces of tymbre..... ixs. viiid.

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[•] The Annual Procession to S. Margaret's Church.

	Itm for cariage of the same to	
	ye churche yerd ixd.	
	Itm for cariage of all the other vid.	
	Itm for bords naylls & odr stuffe	
	to John Heyrek as a apperith	
	by hys byllvijs.jd.ob.	
	Itm for a dosen Hurdells to the	
	skaffold xviijd.	
	Itm for ropes to the skaffold xd.	
	Itm for a lode of lyme iijs.	
	Itm for a lode of sande iiijd.	
	Sm') pagine vli. ixs. iiijd. ob.	
	Itm for vj. lods of freston to Mr. Beyle	
	bought at the freres. Rate aft xixd.	
	the lode ixs. vjd.	
	Itm for a gable rope to lat down	
	the same stone xxd.	
	Itm for cariage of all the same	
	to sent m ⁹ tynes churche yerd xviijd.	
	Itm in expencs iiij or v tymes	
	goynge to Mr. Beillies & to the	
	freres to se & by the same stone	
Churche	for Mr. Vicare & myselfe &	
Worke	Henry Mabley & od' tymes	xiijs. viijd.
	to get workmen therto vjd.	1
	Itm to Frances More for wry-	
	tenge of ij bylls for thassur-	
	ance of ye churche money]
	Recevyd at Couentre for y	Ì
	plate sold ther iiijd.	<u> </u>
	Itm to Sr Willim borow for	
	alterynge & wrytenge new	
	ageyn the same by cause ye	1
	lyked them not ijd.	
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xxxvs. iiijd.

Workemen

Itm to Robt Sexton for helpynge the same Wryght yo mason, yo plumer, the laborers, while the sayd Ile, skaffold, mason worke, & gutters laying wt tymbre, & poyntynge yo walls aft the mason, & for mendynge ye churche florthe in diss places cotenynge in all xxixu days. Rate after iiijd. the day.

ixs. viijd.

laborers

Itm to ve mason & od' iiij laborers on day takyng down y' ston xxiid. Itm to y same mason & od v laborers the next daye ijs. ijd. Itm to iiii laborers for carynge ye ston we out ye fre gate xijd. Itm to iii laborers y next day to helpe to lode y' same ston ixd. Itm for y cariage therof. Rate after iij yo lode xviiid. Itm to Thomas M'shall & ij od' laborers iiij days & an halfe helpynge to set up yo skafold Rate aft' iijd. ye day iiijs. ijd. ob.

Sm pagine iijli. ixs. jd. ob.

xs. vd. ob.

	Itm to ij laborers ij days worke	helpynge .	١	
	ye mason wt Robt Sexston	vj <i>d</i> .	į	
	Itm to iiij laborers iij days			
	worke to draw up the ston	iijs.		
	Itm to iij laborers for takenge			
	down ageyne of the skaffold			
	& berynge awey the tymbre			
	where it was borowed	ixd.		
	Itm to iiij mo for bryngenge the			
	great leder	ij <i>d</i> .		
	Itm for medynge of ij spowts &	-,		
laborers -	for a pond of sawder thereto	ix <i>d</i> .	-iij <i>li</i> . xviijs.	;;,
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	weight of led bought y last			
		xxd.		
	yere of William Manbe	xxa.		
	Itm to y plumer for xlvij c. weight			
	of led castenge and laynge.			
	Rate aft xvjd. the hundreth			
	·	. ijs. viij <i>d</i> .		
	Itm for ij bays laynge w'old led.			
	Rate aft ^r iiijs. the bay v	riijs.	•	
	Itm for cariage of xl c. led to			
	the plamers house	viij <i>d</i> .		
	Itm pd for the gable rope	to the	}	
	chyme	xvd.		
	Itm for smythe worke of one of			
	y* chyme ham's & sprynte	vj <i>d</i> .		
	Itm for smythe worke at anod'			
	tyme of one of y hamers	ijd.		
	Itm for medynge of a box for ye	-,		
	pyx & for the syl∜r therto	xij <i>d</i> .		
	Itm for medynge of Mr. Vicares	,		
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bellys	Itm pd of to of Ri& Resorest clear the day of Whiche iiiji churche wiijd. qr?liiijii. be the xxx* da	pphet of palmsonday	he hands	
Itm ree for ij chyld of thomas hyltons ether of yem iij bellys xvjd. Itm ree of Mr. nycholes Heyrek for Willm Hewyt for v bellys vs. iiijd. Itm ree for Willm tyrer in yes Satday mokyt for iiij bellys xxd. Itm ree for Thomas Hylton for v bellys	[1546-7.]	[*]		
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[•] This account is imperfect: there is upon the death of Henry VIII. which no heading, but see the charge for ringing took place on the 28th of January, 1547.

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Gylde obbytts.	Itm ree of Mr. lylys obbet for iiij bellys
money vn- payd for the bellys.	Itm of Mr. Staplys for hys chyld for iij bellys viijd. Itm of bynghm for hys wyfe iij bellys Itm of Iohn Thorneborow for hys ij chyld ether of yem iij bells Itm of Mr. Cresse for hys Wyfe v bells Itm of Iohn Belle for his wyf iiij bellys Ith for won that was beryed of oly? bottoms iij bells. Ith for With Cloughes chylde iij bellys Itm for psons Wyfe dowgh? iij bellys Itm for Syngylton wyf v bellys Vs. iiijd. Itm for Mr. Staplys Son for iij bellys
paydforthe	Itm ree of Mr. hurstes obbyt for iiij bellys

Payments Est quart

Improve paid for Scowrynge the church C	andylstyks`
at Est to the Sekerston wyfe	xxjd.
Itm pd to the glaysyer for hys fees	xxd.
Itm pd to Thomas Skypton for mydsom?	
q? wage	viijs. iiij <i>d.</i>

Itm pd for nallys & Jemmoys* for the churche yatte Itm pd to olye bottome for borde ledge stulreys (?) & workmanshype of the	xij <i>d</i> .	
same	xvjd.	
Itm paid for washynge of the churche Clothys & for mendynge of the albys	xxij <i>d</i> .	
Itm pd for wasshynge of the Vyckers surples	j <i>d</i> .	
Itm pd to Roger Tryge for mendynge of the cops [copes]	xd.	
Itm pd for paper for the churche boke	ob.	xlijs. viijd. ob.
Itm pd for thred to mend the coppys		
Itm pd for makynge of a sworde & payn-	iiij <i>d</i> .	
tynge of the same for Harroode†	viij <i>d</i> .	
Itm pd for bred atte & glouys (? gloves)	_	
& all such thyngs as belongyd to the		
prossessyon w th money & all thyngs		
clerye	xvijs.	
Itm pd to the ryngers at the obbyt for my		
lord of huntyngdon & the belman	xij <i>d</i> .	
Itm pd for a roppe for the chyme	xviij <i>d</i> .	
Itm pd to Syr Willm burrows for mend-	•	
ynge of the chyme for a qt wage	viij d.	
Itm pd to frauncs Clarke for hys qf wage		
at mydsom ⁹	ijs.	
Itm pd to Robt Sekeston for mydsom?		
quarl Wagye	ijs. viijd.	J

Sm pagine xlijs. viijd. ob.

^{*} Hinges. † A sword for Herod, either a character in a Miracle Play, or one of the personages in the annual processions.

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Itm pd for vij pond & half of Sawder at in pound	iiijd. the iiijs. ijd. xvjd. xviijd. iijd.	
they to have for ther wage	vijs. ijd.	- xixs. ixd.
Itm pd for the same worke for wod & nallys	vjd.	
Itm pd to the Sekerstyn for helpynge the plum ⁹ ij days	vjd.	
Itm pd for ij belroppe	xxijd.	
Itm pd for wod for the plumers	ijd.	
Itm pd for another bell roppe	xjd.	
Itm pd to Robt Croft for mendynge of		
the bell whell	xij <i>d</i> .	
Itm pd to Willm Smyth for a doge of iorn	_	
& nallys	v <i>d</i> .)	

mychelmas q?

Itm pd to Thoms Skypton for hys quartage Itm pd to ffrauncs Clark for hys qtage Itm pd to the Sekerston for hys quartage Itm pd to Syr With Burrows for hys qtage for ye chyme Itm pd for mendynge the vyse of a sylv	viijs. iiijd. ijs. ijs. viijd. viijd.	xiiijs. iiijd.
candylstyke to Robt goldsmythe	viijd.	

Crysmas q?.

Itm pd for medynge of a band for the tresury do	re jd.	
Itm pd to Thoms Skypton for hys q? wage vi	ijs. iiijd.	
Itm pd to frauncs Clark for hys qu wage i	js.	
	js. viijd.	xiiijs. iijd.
Itm pd to Syr Will burrows for hys qfage	viij <i>d</i> .	XIIIJS. IIJA
Itm pd to Thomas Roye for medynge a	,	
sprynge of the chyme	iiij <i>d</i> .	
crysmas	ij <i>d</i> .	

Sm pagine xlviijs. iiijd.

Itm pd for iij quarts of Claryt Wyne that was to my lord m ⁹ ques chapplyn the sonday a	
day	ix <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Thoms Hallam for a quart of	
malmysey for the sauce ma? at the same	
tyme	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for a bell roppe	xjd.
Itm pd to the ryngers for Kynge Henry	
the Eyght*	xijd.
Itm pd to the belman the same tyme	ijd.
Itm pd for a stryke of lyme for medyyng	
of the glasse Wyndowe	jd.
Itm pd to yo sekerston wyf for washynge	
of the churche clothys	xxd.
Itm pd for a Small roppe for the chyme	
of x ^u fadoms	xxd.

^{*} In the Accounts of the Churchwardens of Ludlow for this year is:—"Item payde for mendynge of the belles and ropes ryngynge at Kynges Harry dirge iiijd."

Itm pd for a gret rope for the plome of the Cloke	xiiij <i>d</i> . xj <i>d</i> .		
at sent m ² tyns	xijd.	xxixs.	vď.
Itm pd to ye pfet of Palme Sonday & that he dronke			
Itm pd to the sekerston for medynge of	iiij <i>d</i> .		
the bawdryke for a yere	vjd.		
Itm pd to the same for medynge of the	1		
Churche flowrthe wythe tylle	ij <i>d</i> .		
Itm pd for ij theally & for the church	1		
styll* medynge	xijd.		
Itm pd for ij Sculpe for the same	viij <i>d</i> .		
Itm pd to the wryght for the same &	ł		
medynge of the trundell of the			
chyme	viijd.		
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Itm pd to skypton for hys qf wage viij	js. iiij <i>d</i> .		
Itm pd to Fraunce Clarke for hys wage ij	is.		
If pd to Syr Willm burrows for hys wage	viijd.		
Itm pd for Wryttynge of all the pticullys	ļ		
that ys here before rehersyde	xxd.		
Itm pd for medynge of the barrells that			
the chyme goyth win to the smyth at			
the west brydge	xijd.		
Sm paginexxixs. vd.			
Itm pd for ij torchys to Rechard Ranford	•••••	vs.	
Itm pd to Mr. Mayrs Clark for wryttyn	ige y		
accompt	•••••	vi	ij d .

[•] The church gate "The priest meeting the corpse at the church stile shall say" &c., Kubru: 1549.

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& So remaynthe clere to the churche behoufe in the hands of Symō Nyxe at the makyn of thys accompt dely&d by Hew Barlow for y* fote of hys accompt in redy money
It more dely do Symonyx by the said Hew Barlowe to the behouse of the churche as apperythe in the said accompt
Itm delyvd to Symo nyxe & Thoms Allam churche wardyns a byll of dett the some

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M^d y^t Symon Nyx and thoms Hallam Churche Wardyns Willm Manby and Ihon^o Eyryk Hew Barlow and Willm Blacwyn hath solde Thes psels ffollowyng by the comaundemet of Mr. Mayr and his Brethern accordyng To the kyngs in Junc cyons they yere of o^r Lord xvhundrith xlvij and y^e ffurst yere of the Raign of Edward the Sixt.

ffurst Solde vij Clothis that hengyd beffore the	
Roode Loffte price	iijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Solde to Nychis Eyrike a tabernacle	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Sold to Willm Tayler Smyth a nother tabernacle	xij <i>d</i> .
Sold to Willm Cloughe ij tab nacles	vs.
Sold to Hew Barlow a tabernacle	iijs.
Solde to Henry Mayblay the hors y' the Georg Roode	
on Pryce	xij <i>d</i> .
Solde the olde Irn waying a C a qr and vijli. Price	vjs. ijd. ob.
Solde to Thoms Hallam a Tabernacle	xij <i>d</i> .

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Solde to Roger Pott a Tabernacle	xijd.
Solde to Ihon Tayler of Stoughto grange as muche	
alamblast as comyth to	xxd.
Solde to Mast' Gyllatt srten allamblast'	xd.
Solde to Mast' Daueport ffor a tabernacle	iijs. iiijd.
Solde to Ihon Eyryke ye organe chamb'	viijs. vjd.
Solde to Symon Nyx the florth and the vente that the	
George stood on	iijs. xd.
Solde to Mr. Newcome iiij hundrith and a qr of bras	•
at xixs. the hundrith Summa iii	i <i>li.</i> ixd.
Solde to the Pott' iij C and iij quartarns of bras at	•
xixs. the hundrith iiji	li. xis. iijd.
Solde to Willm Tayler a hundrith of bras	xixs.
Sold to Ry& Raynford the Sepulcre light waying iij	
score and xvli. at iijd. ob a li	xxj. xd. ob.
Sold to Willm Tayler Smyth viijli. wax at iijd. ob	-
price	ijd. iiijd.
Sold to Willm Maby xxixli. of wax at iijd. ob a pound	viijs. vd. ob.
Sold to Mr. Newcoome 1 pound waight of the organe	
pypes	xvjs.
and so all the whole yt is all redy sold comyth to xii	j <i>li</i> . ijs. ijd. ob.
Paid to Robt Sextin and his fellow ffor takyng down	
tabernacles & Images	xxijd.
pd ffor iij box and mending a pair gemos	ijs.
pd to Robt Crofte ffor takyng down a tabernacle and to	
Willm Payrs	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to Robt Sextin and his fellow and to Ihon Croft ffor	
workyn in the churche	xviij <i>d</i> .
pd more to Henry Parke	iiij <i>d</i> .
Pd ffor a pair of bands and nels	viij <i>d</i> . ob
pd ffor ij bords of vj ffote a pesse and ffor makyng	
the same Dore in or lady chapell	vjd.

vijs. ijd. ob.

Thaccompt of Symon Nyx and Thoms Hallom Church Wardyns of sent motyns in leyco mayd the xiijt day of Aprill in the Scd yer of the reigne of o' sovo aigne lord Kynge Edward the Sext &c. before Mr. Randall Wod Mayor of the town of leyco Mr. Roger Gillot Mr. Nichs Reynold Mr. Robt Cotton Mr. Wilcocks Mr. Ovo Mr. Heirek Mr. Dauiport Mr. Carto Mr. Manbe Mr. Heirek Hew Barloo Willm Odam & Willm taillor Smyth we other mo

Recepte

	Recepts		
Esf quaf	Itm ree of Hew Barllow for the of the last accompt iiijli. xi. Itm ree of Shyrthurseday & est day for Church work	<i>i</i> . ob.	}iiij <i>li.</i> xvs. ij <i>d</i> . ob
mydsom ⁹ quatf	Itm ree for the churche wormydsom? iiiji	rk at	
myhelmas qrf	Itm ree for the church worke at myhelmas iiijs		xjs. vijd.
crystmas qrf	Itm ree for churche worke at crystmas iijs	•	
Obbyt _f and derydge	Itm ree of Mr. Reynolds for Wymeswolde obbyt iiij belle	xxd.	ixs. viij d .
Gyld obbytę	Itm ree of Mr. Dauers		- xjs.
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	Itm ref of Mr. Hurst obbyt
	for iiij belle xxd.
	Itm ree of Mr. Whytwelle
	obbyt iij belle viijd. ∫
	Itm rec at the buryall of M'gyt Cosyn \
	for iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of Iohn
	Cosyn for iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of mthw
	Collyer for iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of Robt
	Robynson for iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of m'gyt
	longe for iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of Robt
	M'ston for v belle vs.
	Itm rec at the buryall of Edward
	Maye for all the belle & for
	lyenge in the churche xijs.
	Item rec at the buryall of M'gyt
	tyllys for iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of elford
$\mathbf{Bell}_{\mathbf{f}}$	Ietton for v Belle vs. iiijd. iijli. xiijs.
	Itm rec at the buryall of edward
	Wests son iij belle viijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of Mr.
	Prat for all the belle and for
	lyenge in the churche xijs.
	Itm rec at the buryall of mestres
	staplle v belle vs. iiijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of mestres
	anne gyllot v belle vs. iiijd.
	Itm rec at the buryall of John
	myllerson for iij belle viijd.

Itm pd to the same for medynge of the clappe....

Itm pd for a pottell of Wyne to Mr. benson.....

Itm pd to the glasyer

Itm pd for a syrplys cloth for Sr Willin vjs.

Itm pd for makynge of the same

iij.

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Itm pd for iij roppf on[e] Catche Cope rope	iijs.	iiij₫.
Itm pd to fraunce Clerk for Crystmas qrf Wage	ijs.	
Itm pd to the Sekerston for hys qrf Wage	ijs.	viij∕d.
If pd to the same for kepynge the Clok the same qrf	iiijs.	
If pd to Sr With burrow for hys qrf Wage		viijd.
Itm pd to Thoms Wolmare for helpynge in y church		viijd.
Itm pd to the Sekerston for wasshynge the church cloth		xxd.
Itm pd to the Sekerston for kepynge of the badryk*		vjd.
Itm pd for the Holly lof+ the forth day of m'che		iij d .
Itm pd for the holy lof the xj day of mche		iij ∂ .
Itm pd for the holly lof the xviij day of mche		iij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for the holly lofe on Palme sonday		iij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for the holly lof on gud fryeday		iij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for a gable rope		xvjd.
Itm pd for a torche waynge x pounds to Mr. Manbe	vs.	•
Itm pd for Wryttynge new of the churche boke for Cryst-		
	vjs.	viij d .
If pd for Wryttynge of the accompt twyse	ijs.	•
It pd to Ric Raynsford for ij torches	•	
vnpayd		
Sm total _f vjli. xxijd.		
Rest dew by Symon nyx church warden to the,		
Rest dew by Symon nyx church warden to the Churche on the fote of this accompt	s. vije	8. OD.
Whereof delyfed in Redy money by the seyd)	•••	
Whereof delyfed in Redy money by the seyd Symond nyx to the hands of thoms Hallam	5. V1J4	. ob.
And also delyfed to the same thomas Hallam in		
a byll of dette as yt dothe appere in ye seyd xlvji accompt ptyclerly	i.	

[•] The Baldericks of the bells. + The "Holy Loaf" or Eulogia was quite distinct from the consecrated bread or wafer. See Origins Liturgies II. 154.

And So remaynyth in redy money in the hands of		
Thomas Hallam whych was delyod by Symon		
nex clere	xj <i>li</i> .	vijd. ob.

The pcells of the goods that was sold forthe of the church of sent m^otyns the xx day of m^oche in the fyrst yer of the reygne of o' sov'aigne lord Edward the Sext by the grace of god &c. before Mr. Randal Wood then beyng mayre Mr. Gyllot Mr. Reynold Mr. Cotton Mr. lambert Mr. Davport Mr. Cort Mast' Manbe Mr. John Herek w' others.

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money red
          Itm rec of Mr. Mayre for oldgere
                                          vd.
          Itm recevyd of Willm taylo' for
            a vest [vestment] & an awbe...
                                         xijd.
          Itm recevyd of Mr. Dauport for
            ij vestmente ...... vjs. viijd.
          Itm ree of Mr. Cotton for ii
            hangynge for the hye all of
            Whyt damask & purpyll
            vellvet ......xxxiiijs.
          Itm ree of Mr. Vycker for an old
            vest of gren ...... ijs. ijd.
          Itm red of Mr. Manbe for alf
            clothes.....
          Itm ree of the same for a organ
                                              -viijli. vs. iiid.
            case .....
                                      iijs.
          Itm red of Mr. Dauport for all
            clothes..... xijs.
          Itm rec of the same for all clothe
            of Redd velvet & Whyt
            damaske ..... xvijs.
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Itm ref of Rif Davy for it vests of blew velvetxxix. Itm ref of the same for it vellow Coppe xiis. Itm ref of the same for a blew relvet Coppexviij. Itm ref of Mr. Manbe for iii Whyt Copf Ivijs. moneye Itm sold to Mr. Revnolls a vnpavd Canope XXI. Itm sold to the same a vest of red vis. viiid. Itm sold to Mr. Cotton a rail of This, iiiid. blew velvet xiiis. iiiid. Itm sold to Thomas Hallam a gren Cope of Brydge sattvn & a alf cloth of the same ... ixs. If Willm Odam for the rode lyght vijs. viijd. Sm pagine.....xili. iijs, iijd.

Thaccompt of Thomas Hallam and Edward Wests Church Wardens of sent motyns in leycomayd uppon Palme sonday the xiiij' day of Aprell in the yere of o' lord god MCCCCCxlix & in the thyrd yer of the raigne of o' sovoaigne lord Edward the sext by the grao of god of England ffraunce & Ireland Kyng def. of the feyth & on erth of y' Church of England & also of Ireland the supme head before Mr. Iohn gatlyf then beyng mayre of the towne of leyco Rog' gyllot Nicho Reynold Randall Wood Robt Cotton Xpofer lambert Thoms Wylcoks Wyllm

Ov⁹end Nicho Heyrek Thomas Dauport Nicho Cort Willm Manbe & Iohn Heyrek burgess of the same town Willm bradley Clerk & Vycker of the same church Hewe barlo Willm taylo^r Smyth Willm fullwod w^tother mo.

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ffvrst receved of est day for the church worke iis.
Itm ree of Symon nyx for the fote of the
  last accompt ......xjli. vijd. ob.
Itm recevyd for v belle at the buryall of
  Henry Mabley ...... vs. iiiid.
Itm recevyd at the buryall of Mr. Cresse for
  v belle and for the vijt day ...... xs. viijd.
Itm recevyd for v belle at the buryall of Iohn
                                                     -xiijli.xxiijd.ob.
  mylnes wyf ...... vs. iiiid.
Itm receved of Willim Syngelton for v belle
 for Mr. prat ...... xijs.
Itm recevyd of Willm Sadler for iii belle.....
                                               viiid.
Itm receved of Symon nyx for iii belle .....
                                               viiid.
Itm receved of Roger Pott for iii belle .....
                                               viiid.
Itm receved of John Harryson for iii belle ...
                                               viiid.
Itm recevyd of Iohn Mylne for iij belle .....
                                               viijd.
Itm rec' for the fote stolle of the tabernacles ijs.
 belle Itm rec' of Mr. gyllot for the buryall of hys
                                               viijd.
behvnd
          son iij belle .....
vnpayd Itm of thomas mudfote for iii belle ...
                                               viijd.
        Itm of Ric' ledbetters wyf iii belle...
                                               viijd.
        Itm of Willm towghe for iiij belle
                                                xxd.
        Itm of Edward Jeffrey for iiij belle
                                                xxd.
                                               viijd. - xixs. viijd.
        Itm of Withm fulwood for iii belle
        Itm of Ric' tebbetts for iij belle .....
                                               viijd.
        Itm of Allye barrett for iiij belle ...
                                               xxd.
        Itm of Ric' pyker for iij belle .......
                                               viijd.
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Itm of mestress . . . for v belle..... vs. iiijd.

Itm of Wittm richardson for iij belle viijd.

Itm of Ric' walker for v belle vs. iiijd.

Money Gyven to pore peopyll

Itm gyven to psons Wyf at the buryeng of hyr
maed xijd.
Itm gyven towards the buryeng of thomas
Murfote xvjd.
It m̃ gyven to thomas Ledbet when he lay seke iiijd.
It m gyven to pore folke at Crystmas in money xs. iiijd.
It m̃ gyven to ij pore men for fyer vjd.
Itm gyven to Robt Inseley toward ther Comon
Wellijs.
Itm gyven to the mendyng of the cank Well iijs. iiijd.

xviijs. xd.

Clarke Wage & other pamete.

Mydsom ⁵ qr l '	Itm pd to Raf Clark for mydsom? qrf for- his wage vjs.
	Itm pd to ffraunce Anysworth for
	the same qr? ijs.
	Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for
	the same qr? ijs. viijd.
Mychelmas	Itm pd to Raf Clark for
grl	myhelmas qrt vjs.
•	Itm pd to ffraunce Anysworth
	for the same qr? ijs.
	Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for
	the same qr? ijs. viijd.
	Itm pd to Sr Willm burrow for
	hys half yer fee xvjd.
	Itm pd to Thomas Welmer for
	takyng panes in ye church iiijd.

xiijs. ixd.

xd.

vjd.

Crystmas qrf	Itm pd to ye Sekerston Wyf for washynge of the churche clothe for the half yere xxd. Itm pd to Raf Clark for Crystmas qr?		
	Itm pd to Sr Willim burrows		
	for the same qrf viijd.		
or lady day	•		
qrf	day qr ⁰ vjs.		
	Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for		
	the same qr? ijs. viijd.		
	Itm pd to Sr Willm burrows for		
	the same qr^{Q} $viijd$.		
	Itm pd to thomas Wolmere for		
	ryngyng the day bell for the		
	half yer iijs. iiijd.		
	Itm pd to Agnes Sekerston for		
	washyng the churche clothes		
	for the half yer xxd.		
	Itm pd for makyng of a surplys for Raf Clark iiijd.		
	ioi Kai Ciaik Inja.		
Other paymente			
	Mast Manbe for the praphrasye of eras		
Itm pd to Io	hn Vansy for iij bell ropp ₍ ijs. vd.		

Itm pd to Willm Smyth for makyng a spryng

Itm pd to the same for makyng a dogge for the fourt bell

for the chyme & for makyng a lok for the churche dore

Repacons abowt the ledds is other pamets			
Itim pd to george plum? for mendyng of the	e ledde ijr Xvjd.		
Itm pd to the same george for vi pounds of	AVJB.		
Sother	iiis.		
Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for helpying the			
plum ⁹ ij days	xijd.		
Itm pd for a stryke of Charcole for the same	•		
work	ij d.		
Itm pd for gret naylle for the same work	j .:		
Itm pd for ij Chenes & naylle for the bybell	v d.		
Itm pd to the plum? for mendyng the glasse			
wyndows	xxd.		
Itm for ij quare of pap for the churche	Vd.		
Itm pd to Thoms pye for a key for the			
revestrye dore Itii pd to Raf. Clark for makyng y inventory	iiijd. lijs. ijd.		
of y° Church goode	viij <i>d</i> .		
Itm pd to Willm byllers for regestryng of the	VII)46.		
same	viij <i>d</i> .		
Itm pd to Rie Hews for vije & iij qrf & half of	,		
ledde at vs. the hundrythx	xxixs.vd.		
Itim pd to france Enysworth for gyuyng y'			
Holy lof iij sondas	ixd.		
Itm pd for ij payr of Jenmoys for mestres			
mayres seyt	iiijd.		
Itm pd for ij payr of Jenmoys & nalle for			
mestres mables seyt	vd.		
Itm pd to John Wynt scale Robt Sckerston &			
Rog [*] Johnson for takyng down the Rode loft	xviijd. J		
Whyt lymeng of the Church			
Itm pd to Iohn Crofts for iij days work at	out the xviiid.		
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Itm pd for ij fyrkyns for the same church to	
lere lyme inviijd.	
Itm pd to John Wynescale for ij day work xvjd.	
Itm pd to the same John for vij days work iijs. viijd.	•
Itm pd to John Croft for v days work ijs. vjd.	
Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for viij days workiiijs.	
Itm pd to Rog ² Johnson for ix days work iiijs. vjd.	
Itm pd for a seyve & a beasome for the same iijd.	
Itm pd to the pote for xij stryk of lymexvjs.	
Itm pd to John Wynestall for iij days work more ijs.	
Itm pd to Rog ⁹ Johnson for a day work more vjd.	
Itm pd to Rycherd Hewe for a hogshed for ye	
same xijd.	
Itm pd for a lode of Saund vjd.	
Itm pd to Edmond Johnson for hoppyng the	
fyrkyns & settyng on ther heade ijd.	
Itm pd to the pott for xviij stryke of lyme	
morexxiiijs.	
Itm pd to John Wyntstale for iiij days work	
moreijs. viijd.	
more	vj <i>li</i> . iijs. v <i>d</i> .
more	vj <i>li</i> . iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.
more	vjli. iijs. vd.

Itm pd to mestres symmetric for avery our stryler		
of lyme	<u> </u>	
Itm pd to Robe sekeration ite of days work more	<u> </u>	
Itm pd to Rog Johnson for 17 days work more	<u> </u>	
Itm pd to John Crotis for og fags work more		
Itm pd to John Wynfstale for v fays work		
more	<u>=</u> .	<u> </u>
Itm pd for may Le for the same christie		
Itm payd for the Wrytteng of thys accompt	ii.	
Itm pd to Symond myn for Rydyng in Min.		
recorder for Contoell of Wiffin alberts		
matter		Σ'n.
Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for kepying the		
bawdryk		. آفز ۲
Itm pd to the same for mendyng the church		_
dore		ر. درود

The holl some of the dyscharge xijli. xvjs. xd.

This accompt was made on good fryday the xix day of Apryll in the thyrd yer of the raign of o' sofaigne lord Kyng Edward the sext &c before Mr. Gyllot Mr. Reynolde Mr. Wood Mr. Lambert Mr. Wylcoks Mr. Heyrek Mr. O'end Mr. Manbe Mr. John Heyrek Thoms Jenkynson Symon Nyx Richard Hewys Sr Wyllm Bradley vycker of the church of sent mother wood and so remaynthe clere to the church in Redy money of the fote of thys accompt delyvered to the hands of Edward Weste viijli. xs. iiijd. and further ther remaynyth in bylls as yt dothe appere ptyclerly iijli. ixs. delyfed by the hande of Thomas Hallam to the seyd Edward & so the seyd thomas Allam at thys accompt was set cler and guyet.

Thaccompte of Edwarde Westys and Wyllm tayllor Smythe churche wardens of sent motyns in leycon mayd upon good fryeday the fourthe day of Aprell in the yere of our lord god MCCCCC & fyftye in the forthe yer of the reign of o' sov aigne lord kyng Edward the sext &c before Mr. Nichis Reynold mayo' of the towne of leyc Mr. gyllott Mr. Cotton Mr. Lambert Mr. Wylcoks Mr. Nichis Heyrek Mr. Ov end Mr. Damport Mr. Cort Mr. Manbe & Mr. Iohn Heyrek burgs of the same town Willm bradley Clerk vicker of the same Church Will Reynold Thoms Jenkynson Willm fulwood Robt thoms Hallam Rec' Hewys & Robt tymson & Willm blackwyn wythe other moo &c.

ffyrst recevyd of thomas Hallam for the fote of the last	
accompte	viijli. xs. iiijd.
Itm recevyd of the buryall of Edward Clerk for v belle	vs. iiijd.
Itm recevyd of the same for lyeng in the churche	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Itm rccevyd of the buryall of Mr. Wood for v belle	vs. iiijd.
Itm recevyd of the same for lyeng in the church	vjs. viijd.
Itm rec for a sellyng of sent dunstons all sold to	
Mr. Cort	xvj <i>d</i> .
If ree for a voyte of sent Katterns alf + sold to Wiff	
Clough	xij <i>d</i> .
If ree of Wittm Albert for the tablet that stode at sent	
Kafyns alf	xij <i>d</i> .
If ree of Mr. gyllot for a peke of lyme	iiij d.
Itm ree of Mr. Owend for the holly wat? stoke	xvj <i>d</i> .
Itm ree ffor a hundryth of Ireon sold out of y church	xiijs.
IP ree of Willim tayllo' s retyant in ernest of the iij catche	
Coppe belle aff xxvs. a hundryth	xij d .

[•] The position of S. Dunstan's altar is uncertain, it probably stood at the eastern end of the small south aisle.

⁺ Her altar (judging from a painting of

the saint there uncovered some years ago) stood in what is now known as Heyricke's Chapel.

[†] Table or picture.

The Accounts of the Churchwardens	[1549-50.]
If ref of old det of Rif Reynford in pte of peymet of some	xls. iijs. iiijd. vs. iijs. iiijd. xvjd. xvjd. xxvjs. viijd. ixs.
Sm tot: ree xvli. iijs.	
Pament _f . Itm pd to Robt Croft and Rychard Symson for workyng in the Churche aboute the new quere Itm pd to thoms Hallam for greyt nall _f for ye same Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for iiij days work abowght the same If pd to Jane Wylmore & hyr son for beryng of gravell for the of the Churche Itm pd to Rie Symson for v days worke more Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for iiij days work more If pd to nichas Johnson for iij days work at ye same	iiijs. viijd. xiiijd. ijs. vjd. iijs. iiijd. ijs. viijd. ijs.
It pd to Robt Sekerston for v days worke pavyng in the churche It in pd to Rog' Johnson for iij days work about y' same It pd to thoms Hallom for bords & nall; for the new quere It pd to Raf Clarke for wyer It pd to Withm Smythe for mendyng the bell clapp It pd & geven to the pore people in sent mityns pyshe	ijs. vjd. xv iijd. iiijs. iiijd. ijd. xx d.
at est'	viijs. xd.
pyshe	vs.

[1549-50.] of Saint Martin's, Leicester.	45
If pd to Raf Clerk for kepyng of the regest boke	xxd.
If pd to thoms Wylmore for helpyng in the churche	ij d .
Itm pd to thoms Kerbee for mendyng of the lock of the	•
churche dore	vj <i>d</i> .
If pd to the glasyer for hys half yer wage	xxd.
If pd for d. a quarf of lyme for the churche	xd.
If pd to Mr. Manbe for a boke of srvyce for ye churche	iiijs. viijd.
If pd to Willm Smythe for mendyng of ye gret bell clapp	xiiij <i>d</i> .
ltm pd to Robt Sekerston for worke he wrought w' Willim	•
Smyth	ij d.
Itm pd to Sr Willim burrows for mydsom? qrl for hys	
wage	viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Raf Clerke for hys qrf wage at mydsom?	vjs.
If pd to Robt Sekerston for hys qrf wage at mydsom?	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Mr. Heyrek for a pound of wyer for the chyme	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for a lode of lyme for the churche	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Robt Sekerston & Rog* Iohnson for a day work	
& a half abowght the churche Walle	xviij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Sr Willim burrows for hys fee at myhelmas	viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Raf Clerk for hys qrf wage at myhelmas	vjs.
If pd to Robt Sekerston for hys qrf wage ye same tyme	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to hys wyf for hyr half yers wage for wasshyng of	
the churche clothes	xxd.
If pd to thoms Wolmere for hys qrf wage	xxd.
If pd to Robt Sekerston for mendyng of the bawdreks	xij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Iohn waser for ij bell Roppe	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Robt Sekerston for iiij days work & half	
abought the store house	ijs. iijd.
If pd for a sparre for the same house	iij <i>d</i> .
If pd for a bunch of lathes for the same house	vd.
If more pd to Robt Sekerston for iij days work & a	
half about the churche	xxjd.
If pd to Thoms m shall for a day work & a half at the	** -
same tyme	vij <i>d</i> .

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If gyven to lame agnes when she was seke in harvest seyson	iiij d .
Itm pd more to Mr. Heyrek for borde & nalle for ye	
church	ijs.
If pd to Raf Clerk for hys qrf wage at crystmas	vjs.
If pd to Robt Sekerston for hys qrf wage then	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to thomas Wylmore for hys qrf wage then	xxd.
If given to the pore people in sent motions pyshe at	
crystmas	XX.
If pd to Sr Willim burrows for hys fee at Crystmas	viij d.
If pd to the plum? for iiij pound of sother	ijs. viij d .
If pd to ye same for ij days work & half about the	•
church	xxd.
If pd to Robt sekerston at the same tyme for iii days	
worke ther	xv iij d.
If pd for naylle for the same work	iij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to thome wylmore for knyllyng the bell to the	,
chappf* for our lady day qrf	vid.
If pd to Raf Clerk for hys qrf wage then	vjs.
It pd to Robt sekerston for hys qrt wage then	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Sr Wiffm burrows for hys qrf wage then	viij <i>d</i> .
If pd to thome wylmore for hys qrt wage for ryngyng of	V1136.
the day bell then	xxd.
If pd to Robt sekerstons wyf for hyr half yer wage for	AA 0.
washyng of the church clothes	xxd.
If pd to John Vausy for ij bell Roppy	ijs. ij d.
If pd to Willin Smyth for mendyng y gret bell clappr	ijs.
IP pd to the glazyer for mendyng fautte abowt the churche	iiijs. viij d .
Itm pd to Mr. Mayres clerk for wryttyng thys accompt	ijs.
If pd to Robt Scherston & Rog' Johnson for takyng	
doune the iij catche coppe belle	xij <i>d</i> .

^{• &}quot;Chapter, the High Mass, or Mass of the day," Walcott's Sac. Arch. p. 143, but in 1551-2 the same charge is made to: "Knoling ye belle to ye lects."

It pd more to thome wylmore uppon palme sunday last aforehand for mydsom⁹ art next Som. tot. dyscharge viili. xiiis. viid.*

xxd.

If pd upon goodfryed out of the Comon box at the Comaundement of the pyshe to be dalt among pore peopyll ... ixs. iijd.

So reymenys clere to the vse of the church in redye money the some of vijli. viijs. iiijd. delyveryd in the prsens of Mr. Mayor & other beyng present at the same accompt by the foreseyd Edward Weste to the hande of the Wyllm tayllor beyng churche warden of the same churche of & besyde a byll of dett of xlvijs. as dothe appere ptyculerly remayning in the hands of the sevd Wyllim tayllo' Smyth & so the seyd Edward ys quyet & dyscharged.

Nichs Reynold	Willm Ovend	Ihon Eyryke
Roger gyllott	Thoms Davenport	Thomas Hallm
	Wyllyam Manbe	Will Odam
		Ric

Thaccompt of Wyllm tayllor and Ric Mabley Churche Wardyns of sent motions in levcest' may apon palme Sunday the xxij' day of M^oche in the yere of o' lord god MCCCCCli and in the Fyft yer of the Reygne of or sov⁹aigne lord kyng Edward the Sext &c. before Nichis reynold Rog gyllot Robt Cotton Xpofer lambert Thomas Wylcocks nichis heyrek Willm ov ende Thomas Davynport Nichis Cort Willm Manbe John Heyrek Thomas Jenkynson Willm reynolds mast of the same pyshe and Robt bowghton vycker of the same Willm blakwyn Willm fullwood Thomas Hallam Thomas brigg Ric⁹ hewys Robt tymson Ric⁹ Davy Willm Odam wt other mo pysheners of the same churche.

[•] This is really £7 14s. 8d.

ffyrst Reysevyd of Edward Weste for the fote of the last accompt	vij <i>li</i> . viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
buryall _e .	
Itm ree of Ric randall of olde det for v belle	iijs. iiijd.
Itm ree for a mayd yt deptyd at pet daveye for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm red of mestres barlo of old det for v belle for hyr	
husband	iijs. iiijd.
Itm ree of Mr. Davenport for hys chyld iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree of Mr. Jenkynson for hys chyld iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree of Ric. Dave for hys chyld iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree of Withm Ward for hys wyf v belle	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm of ye same for hys chylde iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree more of Ryc Raynford	[xiijs. iiijd.
Itm more of Henry pkr for Robert Whites buryall	iijs. iiijd.
R4 more of Mr. gillat for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd more of Jhon Fletcher	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm of good wyf Huyt curryo' for iiij belle for hur	
husband in olde det	xxd.
Itm ree of fraunce Chettylton for hys chyld iij belle in	
olde det	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree of Mr. Nichis Herek for hys wyf v belle	iijs. iiijd.
Itm ree of Henry Normandy at hys buryall for fyve belle	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree for the buryall of Mr. Vycker v belle	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Other recepte.	
Itm ree of george daveth in olde det	vs.
Itm ree of Mr. Ofend for ye table [picture] in ye rode	
Chappell	vs.
Itm ree of Rie Mable for the table in our lady Chappell	vs. viijd.
Itm red of Thomas wart' for the vowte of sent george	•
awtter	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree of thoms dawson for a payntyd Clothe and a	•
heyre Clothe	xvjd.

Itm ree of Mr. lambt & Mr. Herek for the leyst Catch	
Cope bell*	xxvijs. xjd.
Itm ree of Willm tayllor & Willm Syngylton for tow of	
the same belle	iijli. xjs. viijd.
Itm ree for ij Candelstyke ij holly watt' stoke & vj lyttell	
belle wayng C & d [1\frac{1}{2} cwt.]	xxxvijs. vjd.
Itm ree for olde Irene	xxd.
Itm reg of Mr. Manbe for a lode of ston	iiij <i>d</i> .
If ree of Mr. gyllot for a lode of ston	iiijd.
If ree of Willim tayllo Smyth for y pastall stock	iiij <i>d</i> .
If ree of John masoll (?) for tymb' left of ye new quere	iijs. iiijd.
If ree of Iohn Ylson for p of y same tymber	xd.
If reg for the post Horse	xxvjs. ixd.
Il ree of Mr. Manbe & Rie Renford for olde det	vjs. viijd.
Itm more ree of Rie Renford of the same det	vjs. viijd.
If red out of the pore mans box at the syght of Mr.	
Vycker & Mr. Heyrek	vjs. vjd. ob.
If ree of Rie Hewys for a grave ston	vs.
Sm̃ totalisxxli. viijs. ijd. ob.	
Paymente	
Itm pd to george Davett at the comaundment of Mr.	
Mayre as dothe appere by a byll	xvs.
Itm pd to Raf Clerk for hys yere wage	xxiiijs.
Itm pd to Sr Wyllm burrows for hys yere wage	ijs. viijd.
If pd to Robt Sekerston for hys yere wage	xs. viijd.
It pd to Wyllemore for ryngyng day bell for hys yere wage	vjs. viijd.
It pd for knolyng the Chappt' bell yerly	ijs.
It pd to Sr Ric Pedder at the comandmet of Mr. Mayor	vs.
If pd to Robt Sekerston for naylle for the bell whelle	ijd.
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[•] I cannot explain what these bells were. + A tall standard or candlestick for the Paschal Candle.

Itm pd to Thomas Shyllton plum for a ladder Itm pd to Mr. reynolds for grasse for a post horse	vs. viij <i>d</i> .
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If pd to Mr. Jenkynson for y's same horse in beamont leys	iijs. vd.
It pd to John Vauser for a bell rope & v penyworth of cord	xx <i>d</i> .
If pd to ye plum? for takyng down the lead of ye porche	ij <i>d</i> .
If more pd for caryege of the same lead to ye plum'	iiij <i>d</i> .
If pd for castyng of xiij' hundryth & xviij' pounds of lead	xvijs.
Itm lent to the pyshe prest Sr Willm of ye church money	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
If geven to a pore man at the comandmet of Mr. Mayor	iiij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Robt Sekerston for a days work	vj <i>d</i> .
If pd to Mr. Wylcoke for borde yt went to ye table [the	
new Altar table]	iiijs. iiijd.
If pd for poste for the same table to A beadmor'	iiij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Marrye for making the same table for x day &	•
half	xijs. iijd.
If pd for naylle that went to the seats	vd.
If pd for glew for the same table	vij d.
Itm pd to the sekerston for iij days work	xviij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Mr. Ovend for two stryke of lyme	vjd.
Itm gyven to Mr. Stapylle at y' syght of Mr. Nichs	vju.
Herek & Mr. John Hereke	v:: J
•	xij d.
Itm pd to Thoms Kerby for takyng of a lock & makyng	,
a new key & medyng of the same locke	xij <i>d</i> .
Itm gyven to the pore folke at Crystmas	xxs.
Itm pd for a pound of Candell for ye churche	ij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Thomas Kerbe for to keys for ye pore mans	•
Chest	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm gyven to Mr. stapylle the xvjt day of february	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm gyven to the p'soners at the syght of Mr. Nichis	
Herek Mr. John Herek & Mr. Vycker	xxd.
Itm gyven to Mr. Staples the xxijt day of february	iiij d.
Itm gyven to ye proners upon care sonday*	xijd.
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[•] The fourth Sunday in Lent.

Itm gyven to M ^O shall for Mr. staples the fyrst day of M ^O che		iiij d .
If gyven to Mr. Staples upon Care Sonday		iiijd.
If pd to the glasyer for mendying sotyn place in the		
churche wyndows	iijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
It gyven to Mr. Staples upon palme Sonday		iiijd.
If pd for wryttyng of this accompt	ijs.	
Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for a baudryk of Irone		vjd.
If pd to Vauser for a bell rope		xvjd.

The Holle some of ye paymente xiijli. xvjd.

Il remaynyng in ye churche in lead CCCCxxixli.

This accompt was made the xxij day of miche in the yer of o' Lord a M v C and l' before Mr. Raynold Mr. gyllat Mr. Wilkox Mr. Damport, Mr. Boughton, Mr. Manbe, Ihon Eyricke Riê Hows Wiltm Odam Ryê Davy & Dyês other and ye same day there Raymayneth in ye hands of Ryê Mayblay the eldar church warden of the fote of this accompt in Redy money—vijli. viijs. ijd. ob. Moreoê ther Remaynyth in ye said church wardens hands a byll of Debt of Ryê Rayforde as doth appeyr in ye said bill suma iiijli. wherof is paid in this accompt as doth appeir in ye said accompt xxvjs. viijd. and so Remaynyth oyng of the same Det vnpaid liijs. iiijd.

Delivd more to the said Ry& Mayblay a bill of Det of Georg Devils yesum is xxs.

If more delived to him a nother bill of Dett oying to the churche for the bels as Doth appair in yo some xls. & more.

Thaccompt of Rychard Maybley & Rychard Davy cherche Wardenes of sente martynes in lest made a palmesondaye y x daye of Aprell in y vi yere of y reane of o soverene lorde kynge Edward y syxte in y yeare of o lorde god M Chij before Mr. Wylkoks

mere of y° towne of lest & Mr. Nycolls reynold Mr. gyllett, Mr. Cotton Mr. Nycoles Heyryke Mr. Mabe Mr. Iohn Heyryke Mr. Jenkenson Mr. Wyllm reynolde maisteres off y° peryshe & robertte bowghton vyker Wyllm blakewyne Thom Hallam Wyllm tell' Rychard Hewes Wyllm Odam Iohn bushe & rychard rutt wto other moo off y° same paryshe.

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Resevvd a ve fotte of ye laste accote vijli. viijs. ijd. ob.)
                                                 xixli. iijs. iiiid. ob.
Resevvd of Mr. Nycoles renolde... xili. xvs. iid.
Itm ree of Richard Mabley for a presse
                                        xxiijs. iiijd.
goodewyffe Hatf for v belle.....
                                          iiis. iiiid.
for v belle for bassenes chylde ......
                                             viiid.
                                                      xxxviiis.
for v belle for wyllm thought .....
                                          iijs. iiijd.
for v belle for wyllm smythe ......
                                          iijs. iiijd.
for v belle for John bullyvät.....
                                          iiis. iiiid.
for iii belle for rycherd plears chylde.....
                                             viiid.
                    Sm totalis xxjli. xvjd. ob.
Resevyd of raffe clarke for v belle for
  . . . wyffe .....
                                          iijs. iiijd.
resevyd of rychard pker for iii bells
                                             viijd.
  resevyd owte of ye powher mas boxe at
  ye syght of Mr. bowghton .....
                                          ixs.
for iii belle for thom serients chylde .....
                                             viijd.
                                                     vli. vijs. viijd.
for iij belle for alles carter .....
                                             viijd.
for a crowne of wood kyverd wt sylv &
  ij croses of wode kyverd w' syl & a
  notte of copper ...... iijli. vjs. viijd.
resevyd of rychard renforde for a holle
  yeare...
                    Som totale xxvjli. ixs. ob.
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Pemente.

fyrste peyd to robert sekerstones wyffe for washyng ye	
cherche clothes & Mr. Vykers syreples & y. clarkes	ijs. iiijd.
gyvene to Mr. Stapells y xxvij daye of marche	iiij <i>d</i> .
gyven to Mr. Staples y v daye of Aprell	iiij <i>d</i> .
gyven to Syre Nycolle for helpyng Mr. bowghton to serve	-
in ye chryche ye v daye of Aprelle at ye comademet of	
Mr. renolde Mr. gyllett Mr. Iohn Heyryke	iijs. iiijd.
gyven to Mr. Staples y xij daye of Aprell	iiij d.
gyven to Mr. Staples ye xix daye of Aprell	iiij <i>d</i> .
gyven to Mr. Staples ye xxviu daye of Aprell	iiij <i>d</i> .
for a belle roppe to Vauser	xxd.
peyd to Edward tosone for ye chyrche yat & ye gratte	xxxijs.
peyd to Mr. Staples ye iij daye of meye	iiij <i>d</i> .
peyd to Mr. bowghton for makyng a bylle at ye vysytasyon	iiijd.
peyd to Mr. bowghtones dyn ⁹ at y vysytasyö	xiij <i>d</i> .
peyd to Mr. Staples y'x daye of meye	iiij <i>d</i> .
peyd to Mr. Staples y xvij daye of meye	iiijd.
peyd to Syre nycolle for helpyng Mr. bowghton at	
Whytesontyd in ye chyrche	ijs.
peyd to Mr. Staples ye xxiiju daye of meye	iiij <i>d</i> .
for ij pere of bande & ij pere of Howkes for y' cherche	
yatte	ijs.
for ij hūdrythe of nelle	xij <i>d</i> .
peyd to roberd sekerston for iij daye worke pavyng	
abowght ye grate an makyng ye holles	xviij <i>d</i> .
for makyng a bylle at y vysytasyon	iiij <i>d</i> .
for owre dyners at y vysytasyon for Mr. bowghton & iiij	
other	ijs. iiijd.
peyd to Mr. Staples ye xxxi daye of mey	iiij <i>d</i> .
for halfe hyde of whyte leyther for bawdrykes for y* belle*	iijs. iiijd.
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[•] Balderick, a thong of leather by which the clapper was fastened to the bell: so called in the accounts for the years 1597-8.

[1551-2.] of Saint Martin's, Leicester.	55
for removyng ye sette abowght ye tabull	iiij d.
peyde to Mr. Staples ye vij daye of June	iiij d .
peyde to Mr. Staples ye xiiij daye of June	iiij d.
for a roppe for y chyme	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
peyde to Mr. Staples ye xxi daye of June	iiij <i>d</i> .
peyd to Mr. Staples ye xxviiju daye of June	iiij <i>d.</i>
peyd to Mr. bowghton at ye comademet of Mr. renolde	
Mr. gyllett Mr. Cotton & dyvers other	xxvjs. viij <i>d</i> .
mydesom ⁹ quart.	
peyd to raffe Clarke for kypyng ye cloke & chyme	vjs.
peyd to roberd sekerston for hys quarter wage	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
peyd to Wylm for ryngyng ye daye belle	xxd.
peyd to Wylm̃ for knolyng ye belle to ye lect!	vj d.
peyd to Sr nycole for servyng whylle ye vyker whas at	
london	vs.
peyd to Mr. Staples ye v daye July	iiij d.
Sm̃ xvjs. ijd.	
peymets aff ye fyrst fale of money.	
peyd to Mr. Staples ye xij daye of July iiijd.	
peyd to Mr. Staples ye xix daye of July iiijd.	
peyd to Mr. Staples yo xxvju daye of July iiijd.	
for ij Hudrythe of nelle for ye chyrche yatte xijd.	
for a spere for yo chyrchewall iiijd.	
for nell _e j d.	
peyd to Mr. Staples ye secode daye of	
awgust iiij d .	vjs. vjd.
for a lode of cley for yo chyrche walls vijd.	
peyd to roberd sekerston for iij dayes	
worke abowght ye same walle xviijd.	
peyd to Mr. Staples you ix daye of august iiijd.	
peyd to S' nycolle for s'vyng iij dayes in	
Mr. bowghtones stede xijd.	
peyd to Mr. Staples ye xvj daye of awgust iiijd.	

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peyd to Iorge plom ⁹ for xvij dayes worke peyd to roberd sekerstō for xvij dayes	xvijs.	•			
worke	xjs.	iiij <i>d</i> .	ļ		
peyd to Jorge plom ⁹ for castyng xxxiij ^u			l		
hudrythe & a halfe & xxviiju ponde of					
lead aff xvjd a C	xlvs.				
peyd to ye same Jorge for iiij pownde of			i		
sother	iiijs.				
for xij C and a halfe of nelle for ye leade	iiijs.	ijd. xxd.	,		,
for caryng yo leade to yo plomers howse		xxd.	iiij <i>li</i> .	Xijs.	ŋa.
bestowyd on yo presoners at yo syght of			1		
Mr. bowghton	iijs.	iiijd.	j		
gyven to mersyall at comademet of Mr.	_	-			
bowghton		xijd.			
gyven to thom pye at ye syght of Mr.		•			
bowghtō		iiijd.			
gyven to yo powher of yo paryshe at yo		•	l		
syght of Mr. bowghton	iiijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .	J		

myhėlmes quarter.

peyd to raffe clarke for kypyng ye cloke)	
& chyme	vjs.	
peyd to roberd sekersto for hys quart wage	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .	
peyd to Wylm for ryngyng ye daye bele	xxd.	
peyd to Wylm for knolyng ye bele to ye	!	
lectf	vjd.	
peyd to Sr Wyllm borowes hys fey for		
halfe a yere	xvjd.	
for a belle roppe to goodman Vauser	xxd.	xxiiijs. xjd.
gyve to ye precher at ye comademet of Mr.		
Måbe Mr. John Heyryke Mr. Jekeson	vs.	
peyd to thom pye for medyng a key	ij <i>d</i> .	
peyd to Wyllm tell ⁹ for v bade for ye	-	
cherche yatte & ij haspes & ij lattches	iijs. iiijd.	

[1551-2.] of Saint Martin's, Leicester.					
for mēdyng Mr. bowghtons syreples	viij <i>d.</i> iij <i>d</i> xx <i>d</i> .				
for a pownde of cadell	iij <i>d</i>				
for a belle roppe to goodemā vauser	$\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}d.$				
Crystemas quarf.					
nevel to raffe clarke for kynyng we cloke &	`				

peyd to raffe clarke for kypyng yo cloke & chyme vis. peyd to roberd sakerston for hys quart wage ijs. viijd. peyd to Wylm⁹ for ryngyg yo daye belle... xxd.peyd to Wylm⁹ for knolyng yo bele to yo lecf vjd. delyverd to Mr. bowghton at yo comademet of Mr. Mere and Mr. renolde..... xls. for a pounde of cadell iiijd. Peyd to goodema Hore for settyng up yo letterne one yo pulpytte..... viijd.

for medyng Mr. bowghtones syrples

Oure lady daye quarf.

lijs. iiijd.

vjd.

peyd to raffe clarke for kypyng ye cloke & chyme	vjs.		
peyd to roberd sekerstone for hys quarf	,		
wage	ijs. viijd.		
peyd to Wylm ⁹ for ryngyng y daye bele	xxd.		
peyd to Wylm ⁹ for knolyng ye bele to ye			
lecf	vjd.		
peyd to Sr Wylm borowes for hys fey for			
halffe a yere	xvj <i>d</i> . [xxxvjs.	iiid
for ij new bushes to roberd sekerstone &		AAAVJS.	11,14.
settyng in of yo same	vjd.		
for nelle	jd.		
peyd to ye glasyer for medyng ye glasse			
wyndowes in ye chyrche	xviijs. vjd.		

for ij corde for ye chyme to goodema vauser	iijs. ijs.	iiij d. iiij d .		
peyd for matte to be abowght ye tabull peyd to Sr nycolles at ye comadement off Mr. Mere & Mr. Cotton	ijs. iijs.	iiijd.	vs.	iiij <i>d</i> .

Som total xvili. xxiid.

remanung cler in the fote of the accompt xlviijs. iiijd. ob.

This accompt was made and endyd the sext day of June in the yer of o' lord god MvC lij before Mr. Wilcoks major of the towne of lev& Mr. gillot Mr. Cotton Mr. Nichis Herek Mr. Davynport Mr. John Heyrek Mr. Nichis Cort Mr. bowghton vycker of sent motyns Richard Hewys Willim Odam Rie lyllyns Thomas Barker pyssoners of the same church wth other moo & by the same accompt the said Rie Mabley yo clerly acquyet & discharged for ever.

Also ther remanyth in the hande of Richard Dave a byll of det of Mr. lamberte of the some of vli.

Itm ther remaynyth in the same Rie hande a byll of det of Rie reynford of the some of xxvjs. vijd.

Itm ther remaynyth in the same Rie hande a byll of det of george davell the some of xxs.

If remayning in the hande of Mr. Jenkynson that was delivered by Mr. Nichis reynold in money the some of vli.

Itm ther remaynyth in the hande of Mr. bowghton xls.

If ther remaynth in the hande of Will Odam in olde det for the Rode lyght vijs. viijd.

Thaccompt of Rycharde davy and Rychard Hewes cherche wardennes of the paryce sente martenes in lester made one goodfryday the xxxi^{ty} day of marche in the vij yeare of y^e reaigne of o^r soueene lorde kinge Edwarde the syexte in y^e yeare of o^r lorde god a MCCCCC liij before master nycoles Heyryke meyre of lecest^r Mr. renolde Mr. gellatt Mr. Wilcoks Mr. bowghton vycar of seante martines Mr. Damparde Mr. Iohn Heyryke and Mr. Ov^oende Mr. Hallam Willm Odam Willm tayllo^r Smyth Richard Randall Henry pke Richard Mabley and Edward Crowne wth other moo &c.

Recevyd at yo fowte of the laste acounte of Rychard	
Mabeley	xlviijs.iiijd.ob.
Recevid of Nycoles gossim of nottyingam for ij coppes	
j vessment & ij tenakyles of clothe of tesshew j vessmet	
& ij tenkylys of clothe of silver & ij coppes & j vessment	
of blew velvet	xviij <i>li</i> .
Recevid of Richarde Dane for a corporas casse & viij	
shete j towell j auter clothe & the Rowde cowt	xxxiijs. iiijd.
Recevid in passion weke for ye cherche worke	iiijs. vjd.
Recevid for medsomer qf for the cherche worke	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Recevid for myhelmis qt for cherche worke	vjs. viijd.
Recevid of master nycoles renoled for a vessment of blew	
veluit	xs.
Recevid of master Jankinson for ye prest wages	xxvjs. viijd.
Recevid of master mayer for a coffer	vs. iiijd.
Recevid of Raffe clarke for a lytell coffer	xvj <i>d</i> .
Recevid of nicoles goldesmethe for ij sherte yt was for	
syente nicoles & a hold towell	iijs. iiijd.
Recevid of Rychard Hewis for corporas case & sente	
martene cowt & a towell of dyap worke	ijs. viijd.

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Recevid of master mayre towarde y° preste wage Recevid for crystinmes qt towarde y° cherche worke Recevid of Iohn Wryght for xiiij banar clothes Recevid of Mr. Manbe y° iij day of May at y° buriall of	xiijs. xjd. vs. iiijd. ob. iiijs.
his sn for iiij belles	xxd.
Recevid ye xxvj day of May at ye buriall of Mr. Dam- parte chylde for iij belles	viij <i>d</i> .
Recevid yo x day of June at yo buriall of Wyllyam Hauberde for v belle Recevid yo xiiij day of June at yo buryall of susan bellamy	iijs. iiijd.
for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
tayler for iij belle, at ye buryall of John Mylner of	viij <i>d</i> .
Wymshold	viij <i>d</i> .
for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Receved ye xxj day of the same at the buryall of Robert Hedlay for iij belle	viijd.
Receved ye vj day of Novebre at ye buryall of mastris prat for v belle	iijs. iiijd.
Receved yo ij day of dyssember at yo buryall of mystrys burton for v belle	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Receved ye xxj day of dissember at ye buryall of John somare for iiij belle	xxd.
Receved ye x day of fabruary at ye buryall of Thomas robynson ys chylde for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Som tota'e xxvijli. viijs. xd.	
Pamētes.	
Payde to robart sextin his wife for wasynge of they chyrche clothes	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> . iijs.

Payde to robert sextin for v days and a halfe wourking in	
the chyrche	iijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Payde to roger Jonson for one days worke and a halfe	xij <i>d</i> .
Payde to Mr. Iohn Heyryke for a pounde of wyar for ye	,
chyme	vij <i>d</i> .
Payde to raffe clarke for ij sawltere yt they say ye salmes	•
one in ye chyrche at mattins & at evensonge	xxd.
Payde for ye caryge of the lede to ye plumere House &	:
to ye chyrche	ix <i>d</i> .
Payde for soder	xv <i>d</i> .
Payde for ix C & a halfe of lede castyng	xijs.
Payde to the plumer for ij days wages	ijs.
Payde to Roberte sextin for iij days worke & a halfe	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Payde to Mr. Iohn Heyrycke for nalls	viij <i>d</i> .
Payde to Mr. Heyrycke for bordes	viij <i>d</i> .
Payde to rycharde Hewis for a sheffe of glas	iijs. iiijd.
Payde to Rycharde Wryght for mendynge of ye wyndowys	
in the chyrche	vjs. viijd.
Payde for a boke of the Preaffrasys [of Erasmus],	vijs.
Payde for a boke of the new sarvis	vs.
Payde to Roberte croftes and rycharde symson for iij days	_
worke of the chyrche house	vjs.
Payde to rycharde symson for j days wourke at ye same	xij <i>d</i> .
Payde to roberte sextin for iiij days wourke	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Payde to rycharde parear for a bocke conserning the	
rebellys we was rede in ye chyrche	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payde to Wyłłam blacwin for a peare of forkys and	
another peace of tymber for ye chyrche House	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Payde to Wyllyam coke for iij days wourke	xvd.
Payde to Henry Jacley for caryge of tow lode of clay	xij <i>d</i> .
Payde to ye same Henry for caryge of the tymber from	
Wyłłm blakwyns to the chyrche House	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payde to robarte sextin for v days wourke	iijs. iiijd.
Payde to Sandare the tannar for ij C of slatee	xviij <i>d</i> .

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Payde for a loke & bonde for ye chyrche yate	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Payde for sperys for ye chyrche House	xvj <i>d</i> .
Payde for iij grownceles for ye chyrche House	vs.
Payde to Thomas Carver for yo tymber that yo ij le	c-
tarynes stande one in ye chyrche	xvjd.
Payde to Horre for ye ij lectarnys of yerne	vjs.
Payde to Mr. bowghtn for ye pryes wagys	xxvjs. viijd.
Payde to robertt sextin for iij days wourke abowte	y•
chyrche house	ijs.
Payde to Wyllyam coke for iij days wourke	xvd.
Payde to lucas for Ivy	
Payde to John croftes for slatinge of ye chyrche house	ijs. iijd.
Payde to roberte sextin for ij days wourke & a halfe	xxd.
Payde to roberte sextin for iiij days wourke in ye chyrcl	ne ijs. viijd.
Payde to goodmas vasser for iij belleropes	iiijs. vjd.
Payde to ye same vasser for a plum rope	xd.
Payde to roberte sextin for bell bawdryk?	\dots vj d .
Payde to rycharde Hewes for iiij stryke of lyme to chyrche	
Payde to ye same Hewes for vij score pavyng tylyes	
Payde to Mr. Heyrycke for lathys & nelys Jemoys	
Payde to Mr. Hoverend for a pounde of candell	-
Payde to Willam rychardson for brede for ye comunyo	•
from alhalow day to Chrystinmes	
Payde to Edwarde browner wyfe for makynge to	•
ratchette for yo clarke	
mydsomer q?.	
Payde to raffe clarke for kypinge the cloke)
and chymevjs.	
Payde to roberte sextin for the same q? ijs. viijd.	
Payde to Thomas Wilmore for ryngynge	
of y° day bell ijs. ijd.	
Payde to Sr Willam borowes for ye same qt viijd.	I

Mychallmas q?.		
Payde to raffe clarke for kypinge the cloke and chyme	vjs.	
Payde to roberte sextin for yo same q?	ijs. viijd.	
Payde to thomas Wilmore for ryngynge of		
y ^e day bell	ijs. ijd.	
Payde to Sr. Willym borowes for ye		
same q $^{ m Q}$	viij <i>d</i> .	
Crystmas q?.	Ļ	xlvjs.
Payde to raffe clarke for kypinge the		
cloke and chyme	vjs.	
Payde to roberte sextin for ye same q?	ijs. viijd.	
Payde to thomas Wilmore for ryngynge of		
y ^e day bell	ijs. ijd.	
Payde to Sr Willym borowes for y same q?	viij <i>d</i> .	
O¹ lady day q ⁰ .		
Payde to raffe clarke for kypinge the cloke		
and chyme	vjs.	
Payde to roberte sextin for ye same qf	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .	
Payde to thomas Willmore for ryngyng		
of y° day bell	ijs. ijd.	
Payde to Sr Willym borowes for ye		
same qf	viijd. J	
Som totale resolut ixli.	x11js. 111jd.	

Thaccompt of Richard Hewys and Ric⁹ Randall churche wardyns of the pyshe church of Sent m⁹tyns in leyc^r mayd on Palme sonday y^e xviij^t day of m⁹che in the fyrst yere of the reygne of o^r most drad & gcyous sov⁹aigne lady quene mary by the gce of god &c. in y^e yer of o^r lord god MvC liiij before Mr. Thomas Davinport mayor of the towne of leyc⁹ Roger gyllot Thomas Wilcoks Willm Ov⁹end Willm Manbe Iohn Heyrek Willm Reynolde

Willm tayllor beyng of the xxiiij^t Edwarde Wests Symon Nyx Symon Croft Willm Odams Thomas bings (?) beyng of y^e xlviij^t wth other.

Recepte.

Itm recevyd at the fote of the last accompt of Rychard	
Davy xv	riij <i>li.</i> xvs. vjd.
Itm reë for an olde blak vestment & a tunycle	xs.
Itm reg at ester for churche work	vjs. ij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree at mydsom for churche work	vs. ij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree for church work at michelmas & Crystemas	xiijs. iiijd.
Itm ree of Roode the viijt day of June for a cofer	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
If reg of Rafe byerle for a cofer	ijs.
Itm ree of Mr. Jenkynson at iij tymes ii	j <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm reë of Rie wodward for an asshe	iijs.
Itm red of Willm tayllo for ij groude ende of asshe	vs.
Itm ree of Thomas Dawson for the toppe of the Elme	iiijs.
Itm reg of Raff Clark for a lyttell asshe	xvj <i>d</i> .
Itm ree of Raf gardn for a lyttell toppe	vjd.
If red of Will Moseley for the topp of an ashe	viij <i>d</i> .
Recepte for the belle.	
Itm red of the Copp buryall in the Hye stret for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm recevyd at the buryall of his wyf for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
If ree of Robt Shotton for iij belle for hys chylde	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm red at the buryall of Thomas Ratlyf	ijs. viijd.
Itm ree of Mr. reynold for the buryall of his father &	
mother	xxs.
Itm ree at the buriall of mestrys Heyreke	xs.
Itm ree of John Ward for the buryall of his mother for iiij	
bell _e	xxd.
Itm ree at the buryall of Will wodfall for iij belle	viij d.
If ree at yo buryall of Rie pkers chyld for iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .

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Itm pd to John Wynt'skalle & mo for iij days worke at the	
churche house	vs.
Itm for ij Coope & a vestment of blue velvet	xxs.
Itm pd for the brassyn lectarne	xxs.
Itm pd to yo Comyssyoners for ij press	iijs. iiijd
Itm pd for the Churche byll for the collectors	vj <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for a Roode Cote	xxd.
Itm pd for iij Corporas Casys	xijd.
Itm pd for xij banner Clothes	ijs.
Itm pd for a whyet sattyn Cope	xs.
Itm pd to Sr Rie for his qrf wage at mydsom'	xxxs.
Itm pd to Vauser for ij bell Rope	ijs. viijd.
Itm pd for a Rope for the Chyme	xxd.
Itm pd to With Roode for a gret bell Rope	xviijd.
Itm pd to Mr. Heyrek for a cheyne for the boke	iij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for a sacrynge bell	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to the quenes Comissioners for the Cope of tyssue	•
that were solde	viij <i>li</i> .
Itm pd to Robt Sekerston for settyng vpp the alter &	•
mendyng of the churche	xijd.
Itm to Will baker for bred for the Comunion	ijs. viijd.
Itm pd for a pounde of wyer for the chyme	vjd. ob.
Itm pd to Sr Will for vij weke afore mychelmas & after for	•
his wage	xiijs. iiijd.
Itm pd to Sr Will burrows for Canvas & pakthred for the	3. 3
orgayns	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Will Roode for bell Rope	xvjd.
IP pd to Mr. Manbe for ix yarde & half of sey for Mr.	
mayres seate & mestres marys	xs. iijd. ob.
Itm pd to Mr. Heyrek for a red skyn for ye same	vjd.
If pd to hym for red naylle for the same	ijs.
If pd to thomas Corn? for iij days work at y same	ijs.
If pd to Robt sekerston & thomas Wolmore the xxt day of	-,
decemb' for a days work about the churche	xijd.
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IP pd to mestrys gillot for a vestment & an albe & all that	
belongyth therto	xiijs. iiijd
If pd for iiij yarde of heyr clothe for yo hye alt	ijs. iiij <i>d</i>
If pd to Will tayllo' for workyng at ye hye alte'	xij <i>d</i> .
If pd for glasyng of the church to John barbor	viijd
If pd for wrytteng of this accompt	ijs.
If pd to Raf Clerk for kepyng the clok & the chyme for	•
mydsomer quart'	vjs.
If to Robt sekerston for the same qr?	ijs. viijd
If pd to wylmore for ryngyng day bell yt qr?	ijs. ijd
If pd to Sr Will burrows for his fee for the chyme	viijd
It pd to Raf Clark for myhelmas qrt	vjs.
If pd to Robt sekerston for the same qrf	ijs. viijd
IP pd to wylmore for the same qrP	ijs. ijd
If pd to Sr Wiff burrows for the same qrf	viijd
IP pd to Raf Clark for crystmas qrl wage	vjs.
If pd to Robert sekerston for his qrf wage	ijs. viijd
If pd to wylmore for his quartr wage then	ijs. ijd
IP pd to Sr Will burrows for his fee then	viijd
It pd to Raf Clark for his wage at o' lady day	vjs.
IP pd Robt sekerston for his quart' wage then	ijs. viijd
If to thomas wolmer for his qrf wage then	ijs. ijd
If pd to Sr Wiff burrows for his fee then	viiid

The som of yo pamete xxvjli. xvjs. iijd.

So rest Cler in the fote of this accompte xvs. vd.

If ther remanyth in the Hande of Richard randall a byll of det of Mr. lamberde of the some of vii.

bowght of Mr. lamberd the table at the hye alter whyche y yet vnpaide but remanyth vppon the same some of vli. the some of xxs.

Also ther remanythe in the said Richarde hande a byll of det of Rychard reynford of the some of xxvjs. viijd.

If ther remanyth also a byll of det of george davelle the some of xxs. If in thande of Will odam of olde det for the Rode lyght vijs. viijd.

gatherers for the sepulcars lyght John busshe Willim rechardson

Churtche wardyns
Richard Randall
Withm Odam

Thaccompt of Richard Randall & Will Odam Church wardyns of the pyshe churche of sent mothers in leycomayd on palme sonday the vij' day of Aprell in the yere of or lord god MvC lv' in the fyrst & sde yers of the reignes of or sovoagne lorde & lady phillippe & marye by the grace of god of England ffraunce Naples Jerusalem & Ireland Kynge & quene defendors of the feathe &c. before Iohn berredge mayer of the towne of leycom. Thomas Wilcocks Mr. reynolds Mr. Hallam Mr Hewyes Mr. tayllor Sr Will Hobbs Vicker of the same churche Symon nyx Edward Wests we dyvers other moo.

Recepte.

Itm ree of Mr. Hews for the fote of his accompt	iijli. iijs. viijd.
Itm reg at ester for churche worke	xvjs. ixd. ob.
Itm more red at mydsom? for churche worke	vijs.
It \widetilde{m} more red at myhelmas for church work ℓ	vijs.
Itm more red at Crystmas for church works	vijs.
Itm ree of Rie Reynford vppon his byll of old det	xiijs. iiijd.
Itm ree of Rie Wodward for a table	vjs. ijd.
Itm red of John busshe & Witt rechardson for sepulcre	
lyght	iiijs.
Itm ree of Witt odam for old det for the sepulcre lyght	vijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Sm vjli. xijs. iijd. ob.	

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Buryall _e .	
Itm ree for v belle at the bureall Chettelle daught	vs. iiijd.
Itm ree for v belle at the bureall of bamfords wyf	vs. iiijd.
Itm ree of v belle at the bureall of Rie roundalle wyf	vs. iiijd.
Itm ree for v belle at the bureall of Mr. Ovende	vs. iiijd.
Itm ree more for his lyeinge in the churche	vjs. viijd.
Itm ree more at his viju day for belle	ijs. iiijd.
Itm ree for iij belle at the buryall of Waltr Walkers wyf.	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree at the buryall of With Riesons chyld iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ree at the buryall of Mables dawght iiij belle	
Itm ree at the buryall of mother Curryor iiij belle	
Itm ree at thobbyt of Mr. Clowgh of the Chamblyns	
Itm ree at the buryall of mary sadler v belle	
Itm ree at the buryall of Rie iij belle	-
Itm more red of Mre Odend for iij torches	vj <i>d</i> .
Som viijli. xvjs. jd. ob.	
Pamente.	
Itm pd to Syngylton for a holywatt ^r stock	vs.
Itm pd for payntyng of the pastall stock	xiiijd.
Itm pd for the pycke	
Itm pd to Robt Huseley for oyle & creme & mendyr	ng
of the Crysmatorye	xij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for the preste wage for mydsom? quarter	
Itm pd to Iohn barbo' for the banners	•
Itm pd to Withm Rode for a belroppe	•
Itm pd for a ponde of wyer for the chyme	vij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for the offerynge that lackyd at sent m ⁹ gyt	
Whytsonday & drynk ther for the v'gyns [Virgins; see p. 3	-
Itm pd for a pottell of wyne gyven to Mr. doctor when I	he
prechyd	vj <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Raf Clarke for wyer that he bowght	-
Itm pd for a pounde of wax	
Itm pd for a gret chyme Roppe	ijs.

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Itm pd to	Wylmore for ij days worke the same tyme	vjd.
Itm pd for	a lode of clay for the same altr	vd.
Itm pd to	sekstyns wyf for swepyng the sette	jd.
Itm pd to	Mre Ovend for iij stryke of lyme for the same	xijd.
Itm pd to	Nichis lawson for a pattyn of the Challyce	xvjd.
Itm pd for	a spare & tenter hooks	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to	syngelton for a crosse & sencers	vs. iiijd.
_	Robt sekerston for trussynge of a bell	iiij <i>d</i> .
sepulcre	······	vs.
If pd for r	naylle for the sepulcre	iiij <i>d</i> .
If pd for t	the sepulcre lyght	iiijs.
Itm pd to	Iohn barbor for payntyng the sepulcre & a clothe	
for or la	de aulter	xxij <i>d</i> .
	Sm ixli. xs. xjd.	
	and so the churche y' in det xiiijs. ixd. ob.	
	Duteis recevyd of the vykaryge)	
	from ester last vntyll myhelmas	
	last past	
Itm reg for	r xxt crysomes	vs.
_	xiiij ^t pygg _f	vs. xd.
	other offerynge	xijs. ijd.
	Som xxiijs.	

So Rest cler to the churche in the fote of this accompt wythe the offerynge belongyng to the Vykearge viijs. ijd.

and so the said Richard Randall ys clerly dyschargyd. .

gatherers of sepulcre lyght

Iohn Sutton barbor

Will Ward m⁹cer.

Thaccompt of Willm odam & Willm Shyngelton churche wardyns of the pshe churche of sent motyns in leycomayde on good fryeday the thyrde day of apprell in the scde & thyrde yers of the Reygnes of or sovoaigne lorde & lady Phillippe & Mary by the grace of good of england ffrauncomaples Jerusalem & Ireland Kynge & quene defendors of the fayth &c. before Robert Jones mayer of the towne of leycomas Wylocks Thomas Davinport Will manbe John Herek Will tayllor Smythe burgessom within the same pyshe Sr Will Hobbs Vicker of the same churche Iohn Sutton barbor Will barrow Raf byerle Will Moseley with other moo.

Reaseyte.

ree of Rie Randall at the fote of the last accompte	viijs.	ij d•
ree at est for churche worke	xs.	ijd.
ree in lyncolne farthynge	ijs.	$\overline{\mathbf{q}}$.
ree of Mr. lambert in p of payment of his byll	xxs.	
re& of the Churche worke at mydsom?	viijs.	
ree of the churche worke at myhelmas	•	vijd.
ree of the churche worke at Crystmas	viijs.	viijd.
ree of Rie Reynford in pt of payment of his byll	xs.	
ree of Mr. lamberd in pe of payment of his byll	xls.	
ree of Mr. Cloughes obbyt of the chamblyns	ijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Som vli. $xvjs. xjd. \overline{q}.$		

Re& of Mr. lamberd for the other xxs. in full sattysfaccon on Streym⁹ & one obytte at the Heyehe Alter.

buryalle.

ree of george Pollard for iij belle	viij <i>d</i>
ree at the buryall of Mr. gyllot for v belle	vs. iiijd.
rall of the same for his grave	vic viiid

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ree of the same for wast of the Torches	xxd.
red at the buryall of Will rechardsons chylde for iij belle	viijd.
ree at the buryall of Mr. tanners chylde for iij belle	viij d.
ree of Robert goldsmyth for iij belle for his wyf	viij <i>d</i> .
Som tota l recept vj li . xiijs. iij d . \overline{q} .	
Paymente.	
Itm pd to Vaus' for a bell Rope	xxijd.
If pd for lathe naylles for the	j d .
If pd for ij banner polles	xvd.
If pd for payntynge of a bann pole	jd.
If pd at the vysytacon	xij <i>d</i> .
If pd to Sr Will burrows for his fee that Ric Randall shold	
have payd	viij <i>d</i> .
If pd for mendyng the organes & glue & mendynge the	
polles	xd.
If pd for another bann pole	vjd.
If pd to the iij shepperde at Whytsontyde*	vj d .
Itm pd for alle & Cake at sent m ⁹ gytte	xviij d .
If pd for scowrynge of the egyll	xvjd.
Itm pd to the sextyn for mendynge a hole in the Roode	
Chappell†	iiij d.
Itm pd to the same for his wage at mydsom?	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to thomas wylmore	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Rie lyllynge for his qr? wage	vs.
Itm pd to Raf Clark for his qrl wage	vjs.
Itm pd to Sr Will burrows for his qrf wage	viij d .
Itm pd for nayles to the belle	j <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for lyme & sande to mende the church flore	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to the glasyer for glasyng & in ernest	iiijs. iiijd.

[•] Referring, doubtless, to the performance of the Play known as "The Adoration of the Shepherds."

[†] Where the great cross stood which will be referred to hereafter.

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Itm pd for lyme & sande for the glassyer	ijd.
Itm pd for charcole for the same	ij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for wyer for the clok & chyme	vjd.
Itm pd to a wryght for makyng the seate in trenyte	•
chappell	xviijd.
Itm pd to Raf Clerk for his wage at myhelmas '	vjs.
Itm pd to Rychard lyllynge	vs.
Itm pd to the sextyn	ijs. viijd.
Itm pd to Sr With burrow for his qr? wage	viijd.
Itm pd to Mr. tayllo' for the gret bell clapp	ijs.
Itm pd for a bell Roppe	xxjd.
Iim pd for or deners at the vysytacon	xij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to the sextyns wyf for washynge half a yere	xvjd.
Itm pd for a bell Roppe	xxiijd.
If pd to thomas ley& for asshe for y Rode loft	vjd.
Itm pd for ij ponde of candell at Crystmas	vd.
Itm pd to Robt Croft for mendyng the Rode loft	ij d.
If pd to the sextyns wyf for scoweryng ye candelstyke	ij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Will tayllor for turnynge of the standers in the	
Roode loft	xjd.
Itm pd to Raf Clerk for his wage at Crystmas	vjs.
Itm pd to the sextyn for his wage then	ijs. viijd.
Itm pd to Ri& lyllynge for his wage then	vs.
Itm pd to Sr Will borrers for his wage then	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd to Rie lyllynge in ernest	jd.
Itm pd to the sextyn for the bawdryke	vjs.
Itm pd for ix taper dysshes for the Rode loft	ixs.
Itm pd to Robt Croft for makeynge a ladder & for stavynge	
of the great ladder	xxd.
Itm pd to Robynson for wood for the	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for a Rope for the plome of the chyme	xxij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for naylle	jd.
Itm pd for ij borde & naylle for the collectore seate	vjd.
Itm pd for half hundred of naylle	iij <i>d</i> .

Itm pd to Rie lyllynge for his qrt wage at our ladye day	vjs. viijd.
Itm pd to Raf Clerk for his qrtr wage	vjs.
Itm pd to Robert sextyn for his qrtr wage	ijs. viijd.
Itm pd to Sr Will borrow for his qrtr wage	viijd.
Itm pd to the sextyn for washeng the churche clothes	xvjd.
Itm pd to Mr. Merys Clerk for wryteng this accompt	xijd.
Som totale resolut vli. iiis. iiiid.	

Et sic clro ad opus ecclie in manu gardiani xxixs. xid. q.

Wyllam? shyngollton aconte shold abyine mayd in the fforth yere of the Reyne of Kynge Phylop and quene Mary and was nott for thatt the parrys and I kold not a try of ytt ys a contt ytt—was nott sarten & was nott trew as the parryshe deyd vnderstand by ytt and so ytt was leyfte vnmayd & so Rem styll to the losse of the parryshe as ytt may so prove yff ytt by boke.*

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John bonnitt.

Thaccompt of Thomas Bugg & Iohn Busshe Church wardyns of the pyshe of Seynt m'tyns in leyc' made the thirde of aprell in the furth & fyfte yeres of the reignes of o' sov'aign lord & lady Phyllypp & Mary by grace of god Kyng & Quene of england Spaygne ffraunce boythe Cycells Jerlm & Ireland defendors of the feyth &c. before Iohn Eyrycke maroye of the towne of leyc' Thomas Wylcocks Thomas Davynport William Manby William Reynold wt many other pyshoners.

Reaseyte.

Receyvyd for Ester quarte	r for tythyngs & church worke	xiiijs. iiijd.
ree for mydsomer quarter	•••••	vijs. xd. ob.

[·] Very difficult to decypher.

ree at the buryall of Katryne Carter

R4 off Withm Collears wife for iiij belle

R⁴ off Robert Shenton ffor iii belle

R^d off Mr. Sharpe ffor pson gyllot.....

vs. iiijd.

xiijs. iiijd.

xxd.

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R ⁴ off Rychard Ovayne ffor iij bell _? Rev for Mr. Clughes Obbitt Sum iiijli. iijs. vjd. Sm totalis vjli. xvijs. vjd.	viij <i>d</i> . ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Peamente.	
Imp'mis one stryke of charcole	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to Rauffe Clerke for Ester qr?	vis.
pd to Robt Sexston for wage	viijs.
pd to Ric lylyng for the same qrf	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
pd for mendyng a Surplys	vj <i>d</i> .
pd for dy a pounde of wyer	vijd. ob.
pd for a thyng to loke the Sacrament in to Sr Willim	•
burrowes bretherne*	xvj d.
pd to Davy for makyng the Roode Mary & Iohn	xiijs. iiijd.
pd for iij galons of ale & iiijd. in kake at seynt m ⁹ gerette	xixd.
pd for the beyryng of the crose & banners	xiiij <i>d</i> .
pd to John barber for gyldyng of the roode mary & Iohn	xxijd.
pd for Hoks & Staples to hang theym vpon	vij <i>d</i> .
pd to Rauffe Clerke for mydsom qrf	vjs.
pd to Rie lylyng for the same	vjs. viijd.
pd to George plum? & Rie spence for a pounde of sother	viij <i>d</i> .
pd for ij peyre of Hooke & bande	xiiijd.
pd for neyles for church yatte	ij <i>d</i> .
pd to Ric Symson for mendyng theym	vjd.
pd for a pecke of Jacole [Charcoal]	j <i>d</i> . ob.
pd to Rauffe Clerke for mychelmas qrtr	vjs.
pd to Ric lylyng for the same	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
pd to Rowland Mason for iiij dayes	iijs.
pd to Ric Glov for ij days worke	xvjd.
pd to Cleymens Brenne for iiij	xxd.
pd to Thomas Wylmore iij days	viij <i>d</i> .
	

[•] A pix, or, perhaps, a monstrance.

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pd to Robt Wylcocke for a stryke of lyme	vjd.
pd to Robt Sexton for iij days	xviij <i>d</i> .
pd to Ri& lylyng for a latterne	xd.
pd to Willim bugg for one day worke	vd.
pd to Vasars wyff for abell rooppe	xxd.
pd to Rie Ward for yrons for the greate yate	viij <i>d</i> .
pd to John barbers wyffe for gyldyng the rode mary & Iohn	xiij <i>d</i> .
pd to Rauffe Clerke for crystemas qrf	vjs.
pd to Rie lylyng for the same	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
pd to George plum ⁹ for sother & workmanship	xxd.
pd to Thomas Wylmore for iij days	vjd.
pd to Robt Sexton	vijd.
pd to Ri& Reynford for the rode lyght	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd for ijli. of Candell at crystemas	vjd.
pd to Willm bassyd for steynnyng the veyle*	vijs.
pd at the vysytacon for dynn ⁹	ijs.
pd to Robt Sexston	viij <i>d</i> .
pd for d'li of wyer &	xd.
pd for a loke for the founte [lock for the font.]	ijd.
pd for one galland of ale & to the ryngers at the comyng	
of my lord bysshop	ij <i>d</i> . ob.
payd to gyles ffor a Rope ffor y Chyme	xxd.
pd for a Booke of artykylle ffor ye churche	ij <i>d</i> .
pd to Richard	vjd.
pd to Mr. Mayer Clerke for wryttyng the same	xij <i>d</i> .
pd to Richard Woodward for vj stryke of lyme	ijs. vjd.
Sm totalis vli. xvjs. iiijd.	
Et sic rem ⁹ in manu gardiani ad opus ecclie — xxjs.	ijd.
Churche wardyns pro) John Busshe	
the yere ffolowyng Richard Rutter	
The seid some of xxis. ijd. is in thander of the seid Thoma	s Bugg.

^{• &}quot;Steynnyng" or painting the veil which was hung before the altar in Lent.

Gatherars for the sepulcher's
lyght for the same yere

Richard Chettell & rem in ther hande
Vyncent Tompson & rem iiijs, jd. ob.
& xj tappers.

Gatharers for the roode lyght
Wiffm Tayllor & Thomas Barker.

Thaccompt of Iohn Busshe & Richard Rutter church-wardyns of the pyshe of Seynt m⁹tyns in leic⁹ made [left incomplete].

Receyt _e .		
Imp'mis for church worke	xiiijs.	jd.
ree in lyncoln farthynge	ijs.	хjd.
recevyd for church worke for mydsom? qrf	vijs.	viijd.
ree for mychelmas quarter	vijs.	vd.
red for Crystemas qrd	viijs.	
ree for the mawrys daunce of chyldren*	iijs.	
Sm xliijs. jd.		
Reyceate of Buryalle.	•	
Re& for the buryall of Robt Care for iiij belle		xxd.
ree for Thomas for ij belle		vijd.
ree for John Rysball for iiij belle		xxd.
ree for wast of the [probably torches] for Mr. Davy		vjd.
ree of Mr. fry toward the makying of the alter		xijd.
ree for v. bells for Rie mable	vs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
ree for Mr. Davynport	xijs.	
ree for iij bele for John Hottoner chyld		viijd.
ree for iij bele for Rie Orynge chyld		viijd.
reg for v belg for Henry Kyndersley	vs.	iiijd.

[•] The Morris dance.

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ree for iij bele for Mr. Stanforde syster	viijd.
ree for iiij bele for Xpofer pker	xxd.
ree for Mr. Hewes	xijs.
ree for iiij bele for wyff	xxd.
re& for Mr. Pares wyff	vs. iiijd.
rec for Thomas wyff	vs. iiijd.
reg for iij belle for Mrs. Davporte chyld	viij <i>d</i> .
ree for Edward Glossopp	vs. iiijd.
rec for iij bele for mother	viijd.
ree for iij bele for Thomas Walker	viij <i>d</i> .
ree for iiij bele for Edward Ovynge wyff	xxd.
ree for iiij bele for John mosonor wyff	xxd.
ree for iij bele for Wm. boughton wyff	viijd.
ree for iij belle for Wm. Ward chyld	viijd.
ree for iij belle for Chamblynee mother	viijd.
red for Rid Roberde	vs. iiijd.
rec for Mr. Carter	xijs.
ree for W ^m Tayllo's Wyff	vs. iiijd.
ree for iij belle for Robt Reede chyld	viij <i>d</i> .
rec for iij bele for Elizabeth baker	viij <i>d</i> .
ree for iij belle for John Woode Wyff	viijd.
ree for Willm Warde	vs. iiijd.
ree for iiij bele for Edward Ovend	xxd.
ree for iij bele for S' Thomas burrowes	.viijd.
rec for m ⁹ sonors Wyff for v bell _e	vs. iiijd.
ree for iij belle for Glossopee mayd	viij <i>d</i> .
ree for ffrance Chettylton	vs iiijd.
ree for iij bele for pollarde chyld	viijd.
ree for iij belle for W boughton	viij <i>d</i> .
ree for iij bele for John Jackson	viij <i>d</i> .
ree for iij bele for bartyll	viij <i>d</i> .
rec for iiij bele for Agnes	xxd.
ree for Johanne myddleton	vs iiijd.
red for iij bele for John Mathewe	viij <i>d</i> .

[•] All Saints is an adjoining parish of S. Martin's. This was Sir Thomas Burrows whose funeral is mentioned above. He gave the altar cloth mentioned presently.

[†] These large number of receipts on account of burials indicates the prevalence of the plague in Leicester at that time.

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pd for ale to the Ryngers when the quenes grace was	
pclamyd	viij <i>d</i> .
pd for neyalle about the belle	ij <i>d</i> .
pd for a bell roppe	xvjd.
pd for a Cord for the chyme	vd.
pd for a ficession? for the quere	ij <i>d</i> .
pd to Robt Sexsten for D a qr? wag?	xvj <i>d,</i>
pd for a bell ropp	xviij <i>d</i> .
pd for a stryke of lyme	xd.
pd for neaylle for the yate	ij <i>d</i> .
pd to Robt Sexsten for ij days worke about the church	xijd.
pd to the sexsten for worke about the church	vjd.
pd for tyelle for the church	ij <i>d</i> .
pd for wryttyng of this accompt	xijd.

Sm viijli. xxijd.

Sm totalle remenet iiijli. xixd.

Thaccompt of Iohn Busshe & Wyllm gyllott Churche Wardens of the pyshe of Seinct m⁹tyns in leic⁹ made the xijth of Apryll in A^o Dni 1560 before Mr. Wyllm Manbye Mast^r Iohn Eyryke Mr. Wyllm Reynold Mr. Thoms Halam Mr. James Clarke Ezechyre browne the Curate Wyllm shyngleton Rychard Rawlynson Thoms bugg Wyllm Tayler wth other And by y^o same accompte the sayd Iohn bushe ys clearlye acquyted.

Receytte.

Reg for the fote of the last accompt	iiij <i>li</i> .	xixd.
Rd for churche work midsomer qrf		jd. ob.
Rd for mychelmas qrf	vj:	s. viijd.

[•] In Robin Hood's play.

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	If Clerk for a pece of tymbre m for an Albe	xxd. ijs. vjd.
	Sm totalle xli. iiijd. ob q.	
	(. , 	
	Paymentt _c .	
pd to Rali pd to Yor pd to Rali pd to Phy pd to Rali pd to Phil pd to Rali pd to Phil	Rie lyllyng for Easter qf f Cleark for the lyke k for the lyke f Cleark mydsomer qf llip for the lyk cert Sekarston for a yere washyng f Clark for mychaelmas qf llip for the lyke f Clark for christemas qrf	vjs. viijd. vjs. xvjd. vjs. ijs. viijd. ijs. viijd. vjs. ijs. viijd. vjs. ijs. viijd.
	nyng of a bell claper	vj <i>d</i> .
_	trike of charkolle for hollied fier	viij <i>d</i> . iiij <i>d</i> .
_	isitation denor for iiij men	ijs.
-	offering at sainct mgetts	ijs. ijd.
	lears* for ther paynes	vij <i>d</i> . ob.
•	gallons of alle & ijd. in kakes	xjd.
-	awdrikę maikeng	xxd.
-	okelle to them	inij d.
_	ikeng of the Claper to ye great bellt for mending of ye chyme ij times	vjs. ij <i>d</i> . x <i>d</i> .
-	ell rope	xa. xxjd.
-	lome rope	xviij <i>d</i> .
	ert sekerston for a day work	iiij <i>d</i> .
		,

[•] Whether these "players" performed within the wails of the church is not clear.

iijd.

pd for drink to iiij men at tayken downe the alter stones...

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pd to wylmer for iiij days	viijd.
pd to Iohn Aland for iij days	xijd.
payd for v stryke of lyme	ijs. jd.
pd to Robert secarston iiij days worke	xvij <i>d</i> .
pd for nelle	ob.
pd to the Visytars for ther dewties	xijd.
pd to symson for a day work	xd.
pd for nelle	vjd.
pd to a laborer for iij days work	xd.
pd to Robert Sekerston for iiij days work	xxd.
pd for a Ridell	ijd. ob.
pd to symson sonnes for ij days work	ijs. viijd.
pd for a C of nelle	viijd.
pd for half a C of nelle	iijd.
pd for score lathe nell	ob.
pd for a li of candell	iij <i>d</i> .
pd for a plome rope	xxijd.
pd for a li of wyer for the chyme	vij <i>d</i> .
pd for nelle	•
pd to Robert sekerston for vij days & a di	xiiijd.
pd for ij li & a half of sawder & layng	xvij <i>d</i> .
pd for a bell rope	xxd.
pd for a C of payveng tylles	xijd.
pd for a li of Candell	iijd. ob.
pd for ij li iij qrl of sawder & layng	xvijd.
pd to Richard symson & hys ij sones a day work	ijs. ijd.
pd for whytlether	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd for nelle	ij <i>d</i> .
pd for the maykyng of ij yron bonde for ye gret lather	ij <i>d</i> .
pd for pavyng tylles	jd.
pd for a stryk of lyme	vd.
pd to Wyllyam gyllott for a horse hyer & hys chargyes to	
Warwike	iijs. iiijd.
pd for a stryk of carkoll	iiij <i>d</i> .

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pd to W Shygelton for a bible & a paraphrasis iijs. iiijd	!.
pd for a sarvis boke vs. iiijd	
pd for iij sawters vs. jd	
pd for an Iniunction boke iiijd	
pd for a p'sessionerijd	
pd for hooke nelle & hengys to Mr. Heyrik xxijd	
pd to Robert Sexton for ij days woork viijd	
pd to Robert Sexton for tylles	
pd for a Sawter to John Yng xxd	
Sm totalle vli. xijs. vjd. ob.	
Sm totalle Remenef iiijli. xjs. vjd. q.	
Wyllyam Gyllott more for an aulf clothe vs.	
Delyved into ye Handr of Wyllm	
gyllot y xij of Apryll 1560.	
6,,,,	
Itm Wyllm Walker Dothe owe to ye churche for ye buryall of Henry pke vs. iiijd.	
And he hathe pmysed before ye masters of the pishe	
to paye yt at Whytsontyde the next comynge In	
wytnes whereof he hath to theis p'sents put to hys	
hand	
la mark)	
Theis be ye dette owynge to the	
churche in y' yere of o' lord god	
1557	
fyrst for ye buryall of Iohn warde iij bell wije	1.
the buryall of Antonye granger v belle vs. iiija	
the buryall of george blacwen iij belle viija	
Itm Thoms barber for y Roode lyghtiijs. viijd. ob	
If to John Kesyn for a gable Rope ve	

The Accompte of Wyllyam Gyllott and John Ynge Churche Wardens off the parishe of Sayncte Martens in Lecester Mayd the xxx daye of moche Ao Dni 15610 before Rychard Darker Mear Wyllyam Manby Iohn Eyryke Wyllyam Raynold Ryco Woodward Jamys Clarke & George Assheby wyth others. Wyllyam Gyllot is hereby dychargyd & acquyetyed by the same accompt.

Recette

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Receved of John Busshe for the fotte of the laste	_
Accomptteiiijli	. xjs vjd. q.
Rd of hym more for an Alter clothe	vs.
Rd of Kesyn for a gable rope	vs.
Rd of Wyffyam Walker for the buryall of Henry Parke	vs. iiijd.
Rd for churche Worke at Ester	xvs. ixd.
Rd for mydsomer qrf	vijs. viijd.
Rd for mychaelmas & for Christemas	Xs.
Rd for serten stufe lent to the players of fosson	vjd.
Rd of Mr. darker mayor for serten roughe ston	vj <i>d</i> .
_	٠ يىر ٠
S $\widetilde{\mathbf{m}}$ vij $li.$ xv $d.$ $\overline{\mathbf{q}}.$	
Rd for the belle at burialle.	
Rd at the buryall of Mr. Woodwarde chyld iij belle at	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd at the buryall of robert Johnson s'vant to John robenson	,
iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd at the buryall of rychard Ward chyld iij belle	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd at the buryall of edward overend chyld iij belle at	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd at the buryall of the Cowper in lowsbie lane iij belle	Viija.
	,
at	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd at the buriall of on Elyzabeth v belle	vs. iiijd.
Rd at the buriall of rowlande Wonghe iiij belle at	xxd.
Rd of Wylfyam bell for the buryall of hys wyf v belle at	vs. iiijd.

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Id at the buryall of rychard Ward chyld iij belle at	viij <i>d</i> .
belle at	xxd.
d at the buriall of Elys Kyndersley chyld iij belle at	viijd.
Id at the buryall of Sr Walter browne v belle at	vs. iiijd.
td at the buryall of rycharde foster sone iiij belle at	xxd.
td at the buryall of lance woodlande chyld iij belle at	viijd.
id at the buryall of goodman bason v belle	vs. iiijd.
Id at the buryall of Thomas tyers chyld iij belle at	viij <i>d</i> .
Rd at the buryall of Rafe Coke doughter 4 belle	xxd.
Rd at the buryall of John Holmes 4 belle	xxd.
Sum xxxvs. viijd.	
Suma totalis viijli. xvjs. xjd. q.	
$\mathbf{Payment}_{\mathcal{C}}$	
fyrst payd vnto John busthe for paper	ijd.
od vnto Ralf clerk for hys qrf wage at ester	vis.
od vnto the sexton for hys qrt wage then	ijs. viijd.
d vnto Ralf clerk for mydsomer qrt	vjs.
od the sexton for hys qrb wage	ijs. viijd.
d vnto ralf cleark for mychaelmas qrf	vjs.
d vnto the sexton for the lyk	ijs. viijd.
d vnto ralf clerk for christenmas qrf	vjs.
d vnto the sexton for the lyk	ijs. viijd.
d more to hys wyf for washyng of yo lynens	ijs. viijd.
d to Ralf clerk for wrytyng the regester boke	ijs.
d vnto mylles the roper for a bell rope	xxijd.
d for score latthe nelle occupied a bout ye whelle	ob.
I Mr. Yatte for medyng of a pollis to ye organes	ij d. ob.
I vnto W". Waller & Thomas pykerd for iij days worrke	-
& a half at ix A a day a pece	vs. iij <i>d</i> .
d for birdlime	iiij d .
d for iij stryke of lime	xvd.
d for a stryk & * cryche lyme	ijs, vjd.

than a plank." It may be mentioned (as Mr. Glasscock informs me) that the parish of Stanstead Thele, in Herts, is commonly called Stanstead Deal, though the name is never so written.

[•] So in 1586-7, "too plancke and too thels." Professor Skeat writes ("N. & Q." 6th, S. vii., 293), "Thel is the true English word corresponding to deal board.... it is probable a thel was thinner or smaller

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	umer for ij li & a half of sawder at	xx <i>d</i> . iij <i>d</i> .
Su	ım totalis of paymente vijli. vijs. ijd. ob.	
Rest remayneng vnto the churche at ye accompt xxixs. viijd. [ob q.]		
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Churche Wardyns for the yere following { Iohn Yng. Rychard Rawlyson.

vnto whom the said su'me of xxixs. viijd. ob. q. is delyvyd.

The accompt of Iohn Yng & Rychard Rawlyson churche Wardyns of the pyshe churche of Seynt m⁹tyns in leicester the xxij daye of March A^o Dni 1561 [-2] taken before Mr. Thomas Hallam maior of the said towne of leicester aforesaid Mr. Wyllyam Manby Mr. John Eryke Mr. Rychard Darker Mr. Rychard Woodward w^t other mo.

Recete.

firste Recevyd at yo fott of yo Counte of Wyllam gyllott xx	ixs. viija	<i>l</i> . ob.
Rd for Churche workes at Ester	xvijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Rd for mydsomer myellmes and cryssonmes	xvjs.	xd.
Rd of Wyllam gyllat for a sute of vestemete	xlijs.	$\mathbf{v}\mathbf{j}d$.
Rd of Richarde blacwyn for sertyn stufe Sollde to is father	xxs.	
[Marginal note which refers either to this or the preceding en	<i>try</i> :—]	
Vesmēt & ij tuneycles of Whit damask.		
Rd of Mr. John Heyrycke for sertyn stufe shollde to hym		
by ye Parreshe	viijs.	vj <i>d</i> .
Rd of Iohn Yng for benner clouths	ijs.	
Rd for a Rode clouth		viijd.
Rd of Robarde butler for yo Rode loufe	xijs.	
Rd of a sesmente made for ye laying in of ye bayme in ye		
hey Roafe	vijli. xs.	•

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•	buryall of Mr. blacwyn	• •
Sollde to	Gorgye Cater a gabell Rope	xiijs. iiijd.
	Rd for bell _f .	
	buryall of Edwarde Carter iij belle buryall of Woodlande ij chyllderne	•
	yse	
	buryall of Wyłłam Harve chyllde	•
	buryall of Henry Both chylldern iij belle	
	buryall of Crysto' iij belle	
	buryall of Thomas bruster chyllde iij bell	•
	buryall of Wyłłam Lublam chyllde iij bell	-
	buryall of Mr. Jankynsones chyllde iij bell	
	buryall of Wyłłam Ryvyt chyllde iij bell	
	buryall of John thorneborowe wyffe iiij bell	
-	ouryall of Richard Wardee chyllde	-
	buryall of Robard Yng v belle	-
	buryall of Mr. blacwyn v belle	
Rd at the	buryall of Ellyn Yng	vs. iiijd.
	Sm̃ totalys xviijli. iiijs. vjd. ob.	
	Pamente.	
w' hym	Wyłłam gyllat for yt the churche Wast be hyn in parte of pamente of a more Sm that it hoy	ng
_	re to hym	-
	Oure lady Daye qart.	
Payde to I	Rafe Clarke for kipyng ye cloke & chyme	vjs.
Payde to b	boddeley for is qr	ijs. viijd.
Payde to i	is wyffe for wasshyng y° tabell close	ijs. viijd.
	Mydsomer qar?.	
Payde to I	Rafe Clarke	vis.
	boddeley	•

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Mychallmes qrf.	
Payde to Raffe Clarke for is wages Payde to boddeley	vjs. ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Crystmas qrf.	
Payde to Raffe clark	vjs. ijs. viij <i>d.</i> ixs. vj <i>d.</i> xviij <i>d</i> .
and hellpe to lode ye same Payde to Gorgy Plumer for iij day worke pd to Robarde butler for layng in ye bayme It pd to Hart for ye myndyng of ye chyme It pd to Gorgy plumer for ijli. di a qr It pd to Harte for myndyng ye church dore key It pd to Launse Wodland for is hellpe at ye church on gud fryday & Ester Even It payde to Wyłłm Moer for a Rope to ye plumer It pd for ye skowryng of ye brasyn Lactrun It pd to ye Ryngers on Ester Even to hellpe wythe ye	ijs. xd. iijs. xls. iijs. iiijd. xxijd. iiijd. iiijd. xxijd. viijd.
tymber & to ley yt up	iij <i>d.</i> xiiij <i>d</i> .
of soter It pd to Wyłłam Rode for ye grate gabell Rope It pd for ij trasys to hym It pd to wyllam basforde for glasyng ye wyndowe It pd for a tabyll of ye Commandemente and a Kallynder It payde to Wyllm Synggyllton for soter for ye glasyer payd for charcholle to ye same It payde for lyme to ye same	vs. iiijd. vs. ixd. xijd. xviijs. xvjs. xiijd. ob. vd. iijd.

It pd to Thomas berber for myndyn bothe ye quere

It pd to hym for garnyshyng of Mr. Mayres sete

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xvjd.

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It pd to Robarde butler for hym Sellfe & is iij men ij dayes	
about yo fetchyng of yo setes frome sent Peters* and makyn yo Collettors sete	::::3
It pd for ix vij fote border to make those seter	vs. iiijd.
It Di a C xijd. nelle Di a C xd. nelle to ye same	iijs. viijd. xjd.
It in grate spykens and in xd. nelle	iij d . ob.
It Di a Red skyne Di a m garnys nelle [a red skin, a	1134. 00.
1000 garnishing nails] to Mr. Mayres sete	:
It a stryke and a pec charcolle	xij <i>d</i> . v <i>d</i> .
It a C iiijd. nelle	
It a payre of mystres gyllate sete	iiij <i>d</i> .
It in nelle to mynde ye churche yate	vjd.
` •	j <i>d</i> .
It pd to Gorgy pllmer for a Li Di [1\frac{1}{2} pound] of soter	xij <i>d</i> .
It pd to Gorgy pllmer for iijli. Di soter	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
It pd to hym for ij dayes Di worke	iis. vjd.
It a li of wyer for ye chyme	viij <i>d</i> .
It pd to Harte for maken ij keys and a haspe for ye Pore	
mane Cheste and settyng on	xiijd.
pd for ye sworne men at ye archdacon vysytacyon	xvj <i>d</i> .
pd to Thomas Lester for	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to boddeley for takyng vp ye bordee in ye Roode larfe	iiijd.
pd to Richarde Warde for a band of Irne for the quere dore	vij <i>d</i> .
payd for nelle to set on that & to mende yo other dore	j <i>d</i> .
pd to Richarde Robysone for	vs.
pd to Robarte seckerstone for myndyng a bell welle	ix <i>d</i> .
pd to Wyłłam basforde for wrytyng yo ten Commandmente	ijs.
pd to Mr. Allam for iiij yarde of grene Wadnall [?]	iiijs vj <i>d</i> .
pd for yo myndyng of yo preste suppllys & a qr of clouth to	
layne them at coller and yo myndyng of yo Clarke	
suppllys	xiiij <i>d</i> .
pd for a dynner that wast bestode vpone ye Clarkee yt kepe	
y quyre at crissonmes	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .

[•] The ancient church of S. Peter was then standing.

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payde to	r a quiyre of paper and for ynkevj thomas Shellton and Iohn yng yt they payde to heynsworthe for is servys one qarter after iiij
	y° yere xiijs. iiij
It pd to V	Wyllyam Taylo' for ij pece of tymber ijs.
	Sm totale xvjli. ijs. iijd. ob.
	Sic reman eclie xxijs. iijd.
Churche V	Wardyns for the yere folow: Rychard Rawlynson. Iohn Wyllne.
	om the sayd $S\tilde{m}$ of xxijs. iijd. ys delyvered & the sayd Ioh by thys accompte ys Clearlye dyscharged.
	counte off Rychard Ralynson and Iohn Wyller the wardenes off the Paryshe off sent martenes i ar.
	of John Ynge for the fowte of the Last a counte xxijs. iij
Receved o	di joini ingcioi incionicoi incibasi a counte aais. In
	•
Receved f	•
Receved for Received for Receiv	for the chorche workes at estur ixs. vij
Receved for Received for Receiv	for the chorche workes at estur
Receved for Receved for Received for Receive	for the chorche workes at estur
Receved for Receved for Received for Receive	for the chorche workes at estur
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Receved for Received for Receiv	for the chorche workes at estur
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Receved for Receved for Receved for and Lyrange Receved are Received	for the chorche workes at estur
Receved for Receved for Receved for and Lyr Receved a Recepted a Recepted a Recepted a Received a Recepted a Recep	for the chorche workes at estur
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Receved for Receved for Receved for and Lyrange Receved and Received And Recei	for the chorche workes at estur

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Receved at the bereall of Raf tomsone chyld iij bele Receved at the bereall of Mr. Wodward for v bele and	viij <i>d</i> .
Linge in the chorche	xijs.
Receved at the bereall of John Ynges chyld iij bele	viij <i>d</i> .
Receved at the bereall of Wyllyam ovrynges son iiij bele	xxd.
Receved at the bereall of thomas Lesture father iiij bele Som xxxixs. Som iiijli. xjs. vd.	xxd.
Pementes.	
Itm Payd to John Ynge for that the chorche was behind	
w th hym at the last acount	xlviijs. vd.
Itm payd to Raf Clarke for the fyrst quartar	vis.
Itm payd to the secarston [obliterated].	. .
Itm and hys quartare wayges	ijs. viijd.
Itm payd to the Ryngare on blakmonday* at the com-	- JJ
maundemente of mastur mere	xijd.
Itm payd to Robart crafte for trossyng of the bele	viijs. vjd.
Itm payd to Robart secarston for mendynge ij pere of bell	, ,
whele	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for the great nele and the small nele for the ij	
whele	vj <i>d</i> .
Itm payd to Robart crafte for Pollyng downe the orgyn	• •
chambar	ijs.
Itm payd to Wyllyam Mor for a chym Rope	ijs.
Itm payd to Raf Clark for medsomar quartar wayges	vjs.
Itm payd to the sam tym to y secarston for hys quartar	•
wayges	ijs. viijd.
Itm payd to Raf Clark for mekellmes quartar	vjs.
Itm payd to the secarston for the same quartar	ijs. viijd.
Itm payd to Raf Clark for crysmas quartar	vjs.
Itm payd to the secarston for the same quartar	ijs. viijd.
Itm payd to olevar carvar for makynge the communicon	, ,
table frame	iijs. iiijd.

[•] Easter Monday.

Itm payd to Hart for hys yere wayges for mendynge of the chyme

Itm payd mor to hym for mendynge the chorche dore keys

Itm payd to Raf clarke for wrytyng of the Regestare

Itm payd to Mr. Hereke for ij pownd and a half of birdlyme for to kyll the starlynges about the chorche

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ijs. viijd.

ijs.

iijd.

xx4.

This accompt was taken & alowed the xiiij daye of aprell the fyft yere of the reign of o' so aign ladye Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffraunce & Ireland quene Defender of the fayth before Mr. Wyllyam Raynold, mayo' Mr. Wyllyam Manby Mr. Iohn Eyrycke Mr. Browne Vycar Wyllyam Syngleton Rychard pker Iohn Kyssyn Wyllyam Davye Iohn yng Rafe Chettell & others.

Not. that herafter there shalbe allowed nothing for vysytacon dyners nor wryttyng of thaccompt. Churche wardyns for the yere following Iohn Wyllne & Rychard pker.

M^d that Henry pke late of leicester barbo' decessed by his last Will dyd geve to the Churche of seynt m^Otyns in leicester aforesaid iijs. iiijd. yerely issuyng out of an Howse or tenement at the Cancke Well now in the occupacon of Thomas Pychard after the decesse of Ellyn his wyfe & now the wyfe of Wyllyam Walker as by the last Will of the said Henry it doth appere.

The acounte of Iohn Wyllne and rychard Perker churchwardens of the parishe of Sainct martins in leceter on palme sonday the xxvj day of Marche before Mr. rychard Davy maior Mr. Manby Mr. Eryke Mr. dowker Mr. Halam Mr. Pare Mr. clarke Mr. english Mr. gillat wth others.

[·] Something wrong here.

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Receaved at michael	mes for churche worke	xvs. iijd. xiiijs. xiijs. ijd.
	recetes for beles.	
bels	davy at yo buriall of ij children for iij	viij <i>d</i> .
Receved of thomas I iij bels Re? of Willia ⁹ mor	Pickerd at the buriall of his child for	xxd. viijd.
Receaved of Sisley S for iij bels	Stanfield at the burial of her husbond stanfield at the burial of his sister for iiij bels tanford at ye buriall of his child for iij at ye burial of his child iij bels ye buriall of her husbone and lyng in bels do for ye buriall of his child iiij bels at ye buriall of his wife v bells bely buriall of his wife iiij bels	viijd. xxd. viijd. viijd. viijd. xijs. xxd. vs. iiijd. xxd. vs. iiijd.
	Suma xxxiiijs. iiijd.	
churchyard this ye	Johnson for ye rent of Sainct Peters care	vs. vjs.

Paymentes.

Paid to raphe clarke for his quarter wage at Easter	vjs.
Paid to rychard bodeley for his quarter wage yo same	
time	ijs.
Paid to bodeles wife for washing of the close	ijs. vijd.
Paid to ye clarke at midsomer for his wage	vjs.
Paid to bodeley the same time for his wage	ijs. vd.
Paid to the clarke at Michaelmes for his wage	vjs.
Paid to bodeley the same time for his wage	ijs. vd.
Paid to the clarke at christenmes for his wage	vjs.
Paid to bodeley at the same time for his wage	ijs. viijd
Paid to Miles Henryson for a chime rope	ijs. iiijd
Paid to John Inge for neles for mending the little pulpit	
and the seates	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to robart seckerston for mending of the little pulpit	iiij d .
pd for paper	j <i>d</i> .
pd to blore for mending of a sirples	iij <i>d</i> .
pd for gunpowder to beate ye starlings fro ye churche	ij <i>d</i> .
Pd for lime roddes for the same	ij <i>d</i> .
pd to bodeley for a day worke aboute the seates &	
formes	viij <i>d</i> .
pd for neles for the same worke	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to miles Henrison for a bel rope	ijs.
pd to John Harte for a key for ye poore mans cheste	iij <i>d</i> .
pd to the plumer for iij pound and a halfe of sawder	ijs. iiijd.
pd for working of the same	xd.
pd to raphe clarke for a stryke of charcoll	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd for neles	j d. ob
pd to miles Henryson for a rope for the great bell	ijs. vj <i>d</i>
pd to robert wilcockes for a booke of Homelies	iijs. iiijd
pd to thomas a lester for a booke of prayers	viij <i>d</i> .
pd for a baudricke for the fourthe bell	xd
pd for writing a bill at yo visitatyon	ij <i>d</i>

pd for part of owrs and the sworne mens dinners at the	
visitacon at michaelmes	xxd.
pd for a booke of prayers	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to Mr. gotes for delivering the bils of y regesters	vjd.
pd to richard Willne for writing the same	xijd.
pd to george plumer for iij pound and a halfe of sauder and	
working the same	iijs. iiijd.
pd to awynsworth wife for charcoll	vd.
pd for a rope for ye second bell	xx₫.
pd for a pound of candels at christenmes	iij <i>d</i> .
pd to Thomas oliver for a day worke aboute my lordes	
seate [The Earl of Huntingdon]	xd.
pd to Henry rippley for a strike & a halfe of lime and	
working the same	xvjd.
pd for neles to master Halam	vjd.
pd more for neles	iij <i>d</i> .
pd to Them web holpe vs about mi lordes seate	jd.
pd for a skin of red lether and halfe a thousand red neles	
for mi lordes seate	xvjd.
pd to richard bodeley for ij dayes worke and a halfe about	
the churche	ijs. iiijd.
pd for mattes for my lordes ["seate" erased] chappel	iiijs. iiijd.
pd to Hart for loking to yo chyme	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
pd to Rob. Seckerston for laying Mr. Oldoms grave	
stone	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to george Plumer for laying a pece of leade & saude	vj <i>d</i> .
pd for a shovel for ye church	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd to richard perker for v yardes of broade grene a yard &	
iij quarters of narrow grene for my lordes seate	vjs. ij <i>d</i> .
pd to rychard bodeley for swiping downe the lose lyme of	•
ye churche whalles	iiij <i>d</i> .
pd for six strike of lime for the battelmentes	iijs.
pd for sand the same tyme	vjd.
pd to Henry rippley for washing the church walles	viij <i>d</i> .

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pd to robert Johnson for him & his men working on the battlementes ij dayes	iijs. iiijd. ixs. xd.
Suma totalis vli. iijs.	
Sic remen ⁹ eccle ixs.	
Churche wardyns for the yere following Rychard Parker & Ioh	n Stanford.
The a counte of Rychard Parker and Iohn stanford wardens of the parris of sant Martins.	l chorche
Receved of Ihon velne at the fote of his counte beinge the xxvj daye marche	ixs.
Recetes for the bales.	
Receved of Mr. Harrolde for Mr. Stanton for beringe in the Chorche	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Receved of Ihon Velne for iiij bales	xxd.
Receved of lench Wodland for iij bales	viijd.
Receved of Misteris Ales Dompord for iij bales	viij <i>d</i> .
Receved of Mr. Ynglish for bereinge is wife in the Chorche	
and the grate ball	xs. iiijd.
Receved of William iacson sumacar for iij bales	viij <i>d</i> .
Receved of Ihon boeges for v bales for his wife	vs. iiijd.
Receved of Ihon Stanford for v bales & his wife lyenge in	
the chorche	xijs.
Receved of good wyfe parker for v bales and her housband	
lyenge in the chorch	xijs.
Receved of Harrie trowil for iiij bales	xxd.
Receved of Mr. Clarke for iij bales	viijd.
Receved of Harrie Pare & Harrie Viccars for v bales & for	
the berial of Mr. Pare in the chorch	xijs.

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Receved of Ihon Peres for v bales Receved of Refe Snepe for iiij bales Som iiijli. iiijd.	vs. iiijd. xxd.
Recetes for chorch Goodes.	
Receved of Mr. gellat for a Rope and ij obes	xvjs. xd. ixs. iiijs. viijd. iiijd. iis. iiijd. xijd.
• • •	
Recetes towrd the ritinge of the scripture in chorch.	
Receved of thomas baumford	vj <i>d</i> .
Receved of william iacson sumakar	iiij <i>d.</i> vj <i>d</i> .
Receved of Harrye Newbolde	iiij <i>d</i> .
Receved of misteris Asbie	v <i>d</i> .
Receved of Easter matraufe	iiij d.
Receved of fraunsis gellat	iiij d.
Som ijs. ixd.	
Recets for chorch workes.	
Receved at Ester for chorch worke	xvjs. ijd.
Receved at medsommer quarter for chorch worke	xjs. iijd.
Receved at Mechaelmas quarter	xs. vd.
Receved at chrasmas quarter	xs. iijd.
Receved of Mr. Manbie for timber of the roude laft	xijs.
Som iijli. jd.	
Som totales ixli. ijs. [ixli. vijs. iiijd.]	

Pametts.

pade to Refe clarke at the ladie daye beynge ester quarter	vjs.
pade to Refe clarke at medsommer quarter	vjs.
pade to Refe clarke at mechaelmas quarter	vjs.
pade to Refe clarke at crasmas quarter	vjs.
pade to boddelie at the ladie daye beynge ester quarter	ijs. viijd.
pade to boddelie at medsommer quarter	ijs. viijd.
pade to boddelie at mechaelmas quarter	ijs. viijd
pade to boddelie at crasmas quarter	ijs. viijd.
pade to William basforde & William Hovit for ritinge ye	
cripture	xjs. vijd.
pade to William taler for the well	ij <i>d</i> .
pade to Myeles Harrinson for Rope	ij <i>d</i> .
pade to boddelies wyfe for vesynge close	ij <i>d</i> .
pade at the vesatation for swarne mans dinner and a	
bile	ijs. jd
pade for ij pounde of soder	xxd
pade to Kessen for vine at ester for the Communian	vs.
pade for iiij boltes for to shoute a starlins	$\mathbf{v}\mathbf{j}d$
pade to basford for glesinge	xiiijd
pade to thomas oliver for a dayes worke	x <i>d</i>
pade to boddelie the same tyme a dayes worke	viij <i>d</i>
pade for nales and ale the same tyme	iij <i>d</i>
pade to Rychard pavire for lime and stone and workinge it	
aboute Mr. Mares shete	viij <i>d</i>
pade to thomas oliver for a dayes worke	ix <i>d</i>
pade for nales the same daye	iij <i>d</i>
pade to mylles Harrynson for mendinge a Rope	xijd
pade for witlether to mend bordrick	ij <i>d</i>
pade for mendinge of ij lokes of the pore mans chaste & a	
loke of the store hose to thomas revill	viij <i>d</i>
pade for nales for the same work	j d. ob
pade for cambis to make ij bakes for the pore mans chast	iiij <i>d</i>

chorch vales

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pade to fraunses Hanseworth vyfe for a streke of Charkoles	
for the plomerpade to thomas revill for mending a pare of gemmose to	vj d.
the quire dore	ij d .
pade to thomas Oliver for a dayes work	vij d .
pade to Mr. Heric for nales & a borde	iiij <i>d</i> .
pade to Jhon ynge for nales	iiijd.
pade for a quire of paper that Mr. Viccar had for the	_
regester booke	iiij d.
pade for a pond of Candiles	vd.
pade for removinge of tymber out of Mr. renholdes Shappill	ij <i>d</i> .
pad to Gorge Plommer for iij li. of sother	ijs. vjd.
aboute the chorch	xxiijs. vjd.
pade to Rychard pavier for lime and sande & for leinge	
doune misteris ynglis greve stone	xijd.
pade to myeles Harrinson for a rope for the chyme	vj d.
pade for a ponde of wyer to Mr. Heric for the shyme	xd.
pade to Harrie replie for lime & sande & leinge doune of	
Ihon Parkers grevestone and Ihon stanfords wife greve-	
stone	xvj <i>d</i> .
pade to Rychar fletcher for lime Rodes to take sterlins	vj <i>d</i> .
pade to thomas revill for a gymmo and a chast for one of	
the chorch yettes	xij <i>d</i> .
pad for iij strike of Coles for the plomre	xvj <i>d</i> .
pade to Gorge plomre for vj ponde of soder	vs.
pade to bodele for a bawric	viij <i>d</i> .
pade to thomas revill for iij plates and a gymmo	vj <i>d</i> .
pade to William Yates for mendinge the grete bele clapper	xvd.
pade at the vasatations for the sworne mans diner	ijs.
pade for a bile makinge at the visatation	ij <i>d</i> .
pade to thomas Carvar for mending the chorch yethes and	
nales to the same	viij <i>d</i> .
pade to Rychard Symson for hinginge of the grate bale	ijs.

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pade to bodelie for one daye holping one him		
Et sic rem ⁹ in manu gardiani at opus Ecle xxxvjs. ixd.		
The Churche wardens Accompte was taken & allowed the xviij th Daye of Aprill in the seventh yere of the reign of o' Sovaign Ladye Elizabeth by the grace of god Quene of England fraunce & Ireland Defendo' of the fayth &c. before Symon Nix mayo' Willim Manby Iohn Eryke Thoms Hallam Richard Davy James Clarke Richard Brown Vic ^O & Iohn Wylln w th others.		
Church wardens for the yere followinge Iohn Stanford & Raffe Chettle.		
The accomte of Iohn Stanforde and Raphe Chettell Churche wardes of the pishe of Saynt martyns in Leic ⁹ .		
Receyved of Rychard walker for ye bels vs. iiijd. & of Rog' Hardyng for ye lyke vs. iiijd. & of Willm melburne for iij bels viijd. & Wittm Shylton for iiij bels xxd. Imprimis Receyved of Rycharde parker at ye foote of his a Counte beynge ye xviijth day of Apryll xxxvjs. ixd.		
Recepte for Church worke.		
Receyved at Ester for Church worke		
Receyved at Chrystenmas for Church worke vijs. jd.		
Recepte for the bels.		
of John Armeson for iiij bels		

of Rycharde Clettell for iiij bels

Receyved of therle of shrowsberyes men for v bels & for burying a ma' in yo Churche

xxd.

xijs.

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Receyved of Robt. Johnson for iiij bels	xxd.	
Receyved of Willim Mortin for iiij bels	xxd.	
Receyved of Rychard foster for v bels	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .	
Receyved of Henry Stormyn for iij bels	viij <i>d</i> .	
Receyved at yo buryall of Alys Ratlyfe for iij bels	viij <i>d</i> .	
for iiij bels	xxd.	
Receyved at ye buryall of Edward browne for iij bels	viij <i>d</i> .	
Receyved of John Stanforde for iij bels	viij <i>d.</i> .	
Receyved of Mr. Eyryke for a barner poll	iiij <i>d</i> .	
Sm vli. xviijs. vd. ob.	•	
Paymente.		
Inp'mis payd to Raphe Clarke for o' Ladye Day quart for		
kepynge the Clocke and the chyme	vjs.	
payd to Rychard bodelay for the same qter	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .	
payd to Raphe Clarke for washyng ye Churche Clothes	xvj d.	
Itm payd to John Harte for mendynge ye Clocke & ye	-	
Chyme	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .	
Itm payd to myles Haryson for a bell Rope	xxd.	
Itm payd to John Kyffyn for wyne at est for ye Comunion	vs. ix d .	
Itm payd Mr. Erycke for thre gymose & for nayles	xiij d.	
Itm payd to Mr. Vicar for a servis booke	viijs.	
Paymente for mydsom' q'ter.		
Itm payd to Raphe Clarke for hys q'ter wage	vis.	
Itm payd to Rychard bodeley for ye same q'ter	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .	
Itm payd to Myles Haryson for a bell Rope	xxd.	
Itm payd to ye sayd myles for a Roape for ye chyme	ijs.	
Michelms quarter.	•	
Itm payd to Raph Clarke for hys wage at Michellms	vjs.	
Itm payd to Rychard bodeley for hys wage	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .	
The payer to rejoinate boundy for tijo mage	1)3. VII)6.	

rum paya ac y viacuosa ser care 2 y mere and ser a 2 y m	
y° sayd visitacon	ijs ijd.
Itm payd for Layinge downe ye grave stones & tyles in the	
Church	xviij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for mekyng two Inventoryes oute of ye Regestr	
booke	xijd.
Itm payd for Lyme to Catche ye sterlyngs in ye churche	vij <i>d</i> .
If payd to gote for Regestrynge Inventoryes	vjd.
It' payd to myles Haryson for a Rope for ye for bell	xviij <i>d</i> .
If payd to the same myles for shotyng a Rope	xij <i>d</i> .

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Chrystenmas quarter.

Itm payd to Raphe Clarke for his q'ter wage	vjs.
If payd to Rychard bodelay for hys q'ter wage	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd to Launce Woodland for a bushell of Lyme	xij <i>d</i> .
IP payd to Willm Smyth for helpyng about ye organs	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for a pounde of tallow Candels for the church	iij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for a bande for a Dore in ye Church	iij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd ye plumer for ij pounde of Sawder & working	xxij <i>d.</i>
Itm payd for a corde for a Chyme	vjs.
Itm payde at ye visitacon for or dyeners	ijs.
Itm payd for glasynge abowte ye Church	xxs.
If payd for halfe a pounde of great wyer for ye Clocke	iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for iiij quarte of mausye at a Comunio	ijs.

Sm vli. xiijd.

And so Remaynyth Cleare at ye foote of yie accomte.....xvijs. iiijd. ob.

This accomt made ye xijth day of Apryll Anno Dni 1566 before Mr. Willm manbye Mr. Iohn Eyryke Mr. Rychard Darker Mr. Rychard Davy Mr. Withm Gyllot Withm Morton Rychard Rawlyson Withm Shylton Willim Tayler.

Churchwardens for ye yere ensuyng Raphe Chettell & Willim Davye.

SECTION III.

1566-1644.

(Extracts of all interesting matter made from the original MS. volume by the Editor).

[1566 to 1567.]

Ralph Chettill and William Davy Church Wardens.

Recevyd of Mast^r Manby for the orgayne pypes and the case and all things therto belongyng vli.

If payd for makyng a bylle after the vysytacyon	ij <i>d</i> .
If payd for a belle rope to myles the roper	xxijd.
If payd for a kaye for the pore mannes boxse	iiij <i>d</i> .
If payd for makeyng of a byll for sertyen stoiffe that was	•
solde by ye former churchwardens	iiijd.
If payd for regestyng of the same	vjd.
If payd at the vysytacyon for the sworne menn dynners	•
and ours	ijs.
If payd for making of our byll at the vysytacyon	ijd.
It payd for ij bokes at the Vysytacyon	viijd.
If payd for puttyng out the Imageyse out of the pulpyte	iiijd.
If payd to Wyllyam Morton for x yardes of clothe to make	,
a surplesse at xiiijd. a yard	xjs. viijd.
If payd for makeyng of the surplesse to good wyfe Moselye	ijs.
If payd for a bauldryge for the greate belle	xijd.
If payd to Wyllyam yates for making the great belle clapar	vjs.
	•

If payd for wrytyng of the ij Invytorys and of chrytenyng	:: 3
weddings and buryengs	xijd. vjd.
If payd to Raffe clarke for makeyng a bylle of the sale of	٠,ω٠
the organes to Mr. Maby	ijd.
If payd to Mr. browne vycar for sertayne arrerages of	
tente and subsyde as appeareth by hys byll vli.	

This accompte made the xxviijth day of Marche Anno Dni 1567 before Mr. Willim Manby Mr. Iohn Eyryke Mr. Thoms Halam Mr. Rychard Davye Mr. Willim Gyllot Mr. Iohn Wylnes & Willim Morton with others. Churche wardens elect & chosyn for yo yere ensuynge Willim Davye and Iohn Wylkocks [the last name erased].

M⁴ sold by Mr. Willim Manbye by thassent of y⁶ pishe one Chales weyinge xv ounce 3 quarters aff vs. iiijd. the ounce w^{ch} comyth to iiijli. iiijs. iiijd. And also bought by the sayd Mr. Willim Manbye one Comnuyon Cupp wth kever Duble gylte wayinge xxj ounce & a Half at vjs. the ounce w^{ch} Comyth to vjli. ixs. so y^t there Remaynyth to be payd vnto y⁶ sayd Mr. Willim Manbye over and above y⁶ sce of y⁶ Chall by y⁶ pishe the some xliiijs. viijd.

[At the end of this Account is a note, afterwards partly obliterated by a pen, to the effect that the balance of 14s. 7d. was "Receaved of William Davye when he was sycke beffore hys departure." The death of William Davye as thus intimated explains the appearance of the name of John Wilkocks as churchwarden in his place].

[1567 to 1568.]

70hn Wilkocks and Symonde Krafftys Churche wardens.

Solde to John Henry of london a graveston ye pryce vjs. viijd.

Payde to John Harte for makynge a key for the Cheste in ye revestry vjd.

Payde to the men that brought the churche lethar from	
my lordys place*	ij d.
	s. ,
Payd to myles the Ropar for a rope for the greate bell Payd for wrytynge of the Invytoryes of chrystnyngs	xxijd.
weddyngys and buryings	xij <i>d</i> .
Payd to Mr. goatys for Regestynge the same	vjd.
Payd to Wyllm Krafftys for mendynge the churche style	
nexte the bede Hows [Wigston's Hospital]	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd to Mr. Heyryck for nelys when the mynystare seate	
was turned	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd to robart Krafftys and Wyllm Krafftys for one daye	
worke abowte the seatys where the mynystar and the	
clark syttyth	xxd.
Payd for a kandlestycke to hange vpon the pulpyt	iijd.
Payde to bodylay for scowrynge the aegle	viijd.
Payd for oyll that went therto	ij <i>d</i> .
Payd to Edward Dakynges for a mat for ye mynystar and	
the clark to stand opon at the lecture	iijd.
Payd to Willm symson and hys man for halffe a daye	-
woorcke abowt the seatys in the church	viijd.
Payd to peppar for makynge a key for the poore manys box	iij <i>d</i> .
[1568 to 1569.]	
Symon Crofts and Rychard Archer Churchwardens.	
Receyved of Mr. Norres for the egleiiijli. 2	cviiis.
	s. vjd.
Itm payd to Rychard Caldwelle man for settyng Lyme	,,
Rodds in the Churche to take starlynge	xvjd.

[•] A house in the High Street so called: it was the residence of the Earl of Huntingdon.

in saynt	o Rychard Symson & hys son for settynge ye seate George Chappell for ij days worke aff xd. ye day	
-	selfe and viijd. yo day for hys son	iijs.
in mend	ynge the fframes of the belle aft xijd. ye day for	::::-
	to Willm Symson for mendynge mystres mayres	iiijs.
seate		iij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd	to Willm yate for makynge & mendynge the	
trusses o	of the bels	xxd.
	o Devere ye collermaker for mendynge ye baw-	
dryke to	y great bell	vd.
Itm payd	to Henry brynghurst for makynge ye seate in	
yº Churc	che and other Repacyons in ye Churchii	j <i>li</i> .
Itm payd t	o meast comyssarye for a byble	xxiiijs.
Itm payd t	o Mr. comyssarye whe? we was suspendyd for	
Lackyng	ge a Byble & to hys offycers	xxiijd.
	o the same Xpofer [nedom] for mendynge ye nutt	•
of yo Clo	ocke & ye barell of the Chyme	xd.
	browne son for wrytynge all y names of the	
	ve ye comunion in ye pishe	iiij <i>d</i> .
	o Rafe Clarke for wrytynge y accounte	viij <i>d</i> .
	Itm Receyved y' viijth day of Marche in Anno	
	Dni 1569 for ye pishe of saynt Martyns for	
	xpenynge & weddynge	xviijs. vjd.
	Itm y' same day Receyved of y' pishe of saynt	.
	Nacholas of Iohn Tomson	ijs. viijd.
payd &	Itm Receyved of Willm Shypton for ye pshe of	1,00 111,000
quytt	saynt mare	iijs. iiijd.
	Sm xxiiijs. vjd.	,,
	Эш ахиијэ. vju.	
	The web sayd xxiiijs. vjd. was delyeed the	same day to
	ve poore by Mr. Willim manbye mayor Mr. I	ohn Evryke

y' poore by Mr. Willim manbye mayor Mr. Iohn Eyryke Mr. Thomas Hallam Mr. Iohn Stanford & Mr. Morton.

[1569 to 1570.]

Richard Archar and Thomas Tyers Churchwardens.

Receyved of Thoms Clarke & James Elle for iij peces of Tymber & a grave stone. A stone of ye Crosse Leade & yron of the same	vs. vjd.
Receyved for eyght stone of Lead weyd at Mr. Halams	vijs. iiijd.
Receyved of Rychard orton xiiij peces of wood for a	11,5. 111,6.
wyndow peler	xijd.
Receyved of the yonge people for ther churchwork	ixs. ob.
Receyved of the housholders for the whoolle yeere for	
there Churchworkes as apperethe	xlvijs. vijd.
Payd more to hym [Bodeley] for mendyng Mrs. Mayres seat	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd to Edmonde browne for Copynge a booke out of hys	
fathers booke	vjd.
Payd for Neyle to mende yo Chauncell dores	j d .
Payd to Rawlynson for wyne at Ester	vijs. iijd.
Payd to Webs? & hys man for a days worke & a halfe in	
groundsellynge ye seats in the churche	xxij <i>d</i> .
Payd for bread at Ester for ye Comunyons	vjd.
Payd to yo Comyssaries man for making o' byll of	
prentmet	ij <i>d</i> .
Payd to bodeley for Caryinge ye stones & Ramell away	
where yo Crosse stoode*	viijd.
Payd to Xpofer Nedam for ij bande of yron to make ye	******
Tymber fast to yo pyllers in yo churche	vjd.
Payd to Waller for sawdryng them in ye stone	ijd.
Payd for a matt in Mr. Mayrs seat	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd to Rafe Clarke for wrytyng this account	viij <i>d</i> .
•	· ·
There ys owynge to Rychard Archer at ye foote of yie account	nte xs. jd. ob.

[•] This was a large cross which probably stood in the Rood Chapel: the Church was in early times frequently called S. Cross.

[1570 to 1571.]

Thomas Tyers and Robert Herycke Churchwardens.

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Receved of Mr. Davey for a pyse of tymber	iiij <i>d</i> .
Receved of Wylyam ryndynges for a dore	xijd.
Receved of Mr. Manbay for certen wood & a chest	xxxs.
Receved of thomas tyers for they toppes of the asshes in	
the churche yeard	vjs.
Receved for churchworkes as apperethe by a booke	xljs.
Receved of the servantes and mens chyldren	vjs. ixd.
Receved of ye towne for v mvlyns for genensbrowe wyndoe*	xd.
Receved of the meres brethen [the aldermen] for a leave	
for the community on cupe & whyt lymynge of the churche	xxvjs.
Receved of the eyght & fortey [the councellors] within this	
paryshe for they same	xxvs.
Receved of commoners in thys paryshe for ye same	xjs. xd.
Payd vnto rychard archard at hys accompt	xjs.jd.ob.
Payed vnto rafe clarke for tentynge of they chyme	vjs.
Payd vnto Wylyame symsonne and robert craftes for	
takynge downe ye thynge over the funt	xij <i>d</i> .
Payed vnto rychard symsonne and robert craftes for a	
dayes worke for takynge downe of the petyssons abowt	
they chansyle	xxd.
Payed vnto robert craftes for mendynge of Mr. meres seate	
& a seat w th in the Chappell	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd vnto robert Herycke for v bedpostes for the church	
yates	xxijd.
Payd vnto hym for a short quertern & a mountayne for	
they yates	iij d.

[•] The Gainsborough was a place of confinement in the South East part of the Market place, and consisted of a dungeon

under ground for prisoners, shops on the ground floor, and over them an upper room wherein the justices met.

An acte made by Mr. Mayor & hys brethren y' yf Anye of y' xxiiijth [the Aldermen] or theyr wyves do depte y' Lyfe yf they have but y' great bell they must pay for yt vs.

iiijs. iiijd.

And for evy one of you know that I the Common Councillors or they wyves do dept yo Lyfe must pay for you same bell iijs. iiijd.

And for ye best comnners for ye same bell ijs.

Payed vnto edward Howit and ij other Joyners for ij dayes worke for settynge of seates in the churche

And ye mydle comnners for ye same bell xijd.

Further yt ys Agreed by Mr. Mayor & hys brethren yf anye man Doe Refuce to be churchwarden when he ys Electe shall paye for y fyrste tyme xs.

And the money be to ye vse of ye churche.

[1571 to 1572.]*

Robarte Heyricke & Robarte Rodes Churchwardens.

Payde vnto Rafe Clarke for his wholle yeares wages at	
fowre sundrye tymes	xxiiijs.
Payde vnto Richard Bodylay for his year wagis at iiij	
sundry tymes	xvjs.
Payde vnto Iho Hart for his fee for kepinge of the Clok	
and the chyme	ijs. viijd.
Payde vnto Bodyley for goinge throughe the parrishe and	
one wt him to make an Eastar booke & paper for ye same	viijd.
Payde vnto bodylay for wasshinge the Comvnyon table	
Clothes	xvjd.
It payde for a booke of Homeles	viij <i>d</i> .
It payde to Mr. Morton for iiij yards of darnex† for a	
carpet for ye Comeyo' table Clothe	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Payde for a booke of Enjuncktyons at y' bisshops vicy-	, ,
tacyon	viijd.
Payde to Thomas Ollyvar for medinge of the Hears [hearse	•
—an open framework of iron or wood set over the coffin to support	
the pall]	iij <i>d</i> .
Payde vnto Christovar nedo for medinge of the blockhows	11,6.
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dore & makinge a kay for the same	vj <i>d</i> .
Payde vnto Henry brinkhurst for makinge of the kovar ovar	:•··
the fonte	iiijs.
Payde for cuttinge ye pillar next Mr. Mayor his seate	xvj <i>d</i> .
Payde for a busshill of lyme for ye same	xd.
for iijli of leayde to set fast ye hooke ovar the font	iij <i>d</i> .
It to a plumar for settinge fast of ye same	iiij <i>d</i> .

[•] Among those present at the passing of this account was "Mr. G. Jonson Preacher," as to him see Thompson's His. Leicester, p. 268.

⁺ A kind of damask manufactured at Dorneck or Tournay in Flanders.

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Payde vnto Chris	tovar nedõ	for woorkmashipe of Iorne		
abowt y fonte	•••••			vj₫.
Payde vnto Ihon I	Hart for mē	dinge of the Hamars for the		
chyme				vjd.
First Reayseaved	of Jeames	s Ellis for refewsinge to be		
churchwardin			xs.	
It Reaseved of Ih	on Harrison	n for the lyke	vs.	
It Reaysayved of	Mr. Hallom	for srtaye ollde timbre stuffe		
leayde and Iorn	e	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	xxxiijs.	iiijd.
It re of the parrish	nars for Ch	nurch woorks for all the wholl		
yeare	••••••		ls.	ixd.
This Accompt ma	ade y' xj o	of Aprill 1572 before ye woo	rship of	this

parrishe as doothe appeare in the beginninge of this accompt and so raymeynith dew vnto the parrishe xxxvjs. iijd. ob w I Robart Heyricke have payde vnto Robart Rodes.

[At the end of the above account is the following copy of a Will which was proved on the 16th of February, 1557-8.]

In the Name of god Amen The xxv¹¹ day of october in the yere of o' Lord god a thousande fyve hundreth fyftie & seven I Henry perke of ye Towne of Lecester paynter beynge sycke in bodye but in good & pfect Remembraunce prayse be to god, make this my Last will & testament in form folowynge. fyrst I bequeth my soule to almyghtie god my maker & Redemer & to o' Ladie sent marie & to all the Blessed copanye of heave and my bodye to be buryed in ye Churche yard of saynt martyn in Lei& aforsayd Itm I bequeth to ye mother Churche of Lyncoln iiijd. Itm I gyve & bequeth to Alic Pelton my wyves goddaugh? my tenement at ye canke well to have & to holde the sayde tenement wth ye app'tennce to ye sayd Ale her heyres & assignes for ever After the Decease of me the sayd Henry & Ellyn my wyffe payinge yerelye out of the same tenement to ye churche of saynt martyn aforsayd iijs. iiijd. to be prayed for wth all my frende & all xpēn soule. Itm I bequeth to Iohn sturge

viijd.

viijd.

my kynsman xxx¹¹ kynddę. Itm I gyve & bequeth to Jone Harvye my goddaugh? the thycke brasse pott the Residew of all my goodę my Dettę & funerallę discharged I gyve & bequeth to Ellyn my wyffe whom I ordayne & make my full & sole executryx of this my Last will & testament Also I make supvisor of the same Willim Harvye to see yt truely pformed in all thyngę accordynge to y* tenor of y* same These beynge witnes Iohn Sturge Richard Tayler & other.

[1572 to 1573.]

Robarte Rodes & Wyllm Davkyens Churchwardens.

Receyved for y* Church worke	liiijs. vijd.
Itm receaved of Mr. byshoppe for the kever that dyd hinge over the font	xviijd.
Itm receaved of Wyllm Pellton for cheefe due at the annunciasyon last past of the Virgin Mary beinge in the	
Counte of Robart Rodes & Wyllm Daukiens	iijs. iiijd.
Receyved of Mr. John Eyrycke mayor Mr. Willm Manbye Darker Mr. Rychard Davy the xth day of february in Lord god 1572 liijs. iiijd. towarde yo payment of Certen Churche was indetted to yo queenes mat beyng part of was given by Mr. Thoms furner of London Decesed to you of yo preaching of yo gospell of Chryst.	y' yere of o' Rearge y' o' A Legacy y'
Ano Dn ⁹ 1573 paymentes for the Churche.	
In prymis payed to Robart Heyrycke that he had forgotten when he made his accounte for payntinge of the dyall of the clockhouse	xiijs.
Itm payed for whittlether to mende the baud Ryckes	ij <i>d</i> .

Itm payed to bodelye & Browne for goinge through the peshe & wrytinge all the names in the parishe

Itm payed to Raphe Clarke for writinge out the same

[1574-5.] of Saint Martin's, Leicester.	123
Itm payed to bodelye for mendinge the Collectors seate Itm payed to Robart Lubnam for a strike of christe [crich]	ij <i>d</i> .
yme	xviij <i>d</i> .
Itm payed to Robart Lubnam for v strike of barrowe lyme Itm payed to Mr. bushoppe for ij boukes of prayer & j of	xxij <i>d</i> .
paper	xvjd.
Itm payed for an Injuncion & a prayer bouke Itm payd for mendyn of yoold byble to Willm Shypp	vjd. iijs. iiijd.
[1573 to 1574.]	
Willm Dakyns & Robert Gadesbey Churchewardnes.	
It R ⁴ for churche wurks	liijs.
Rd of Willm Pelton for his House at y' cancke well Pd to Edward Howet for making a foote for the beare	iijs. iiijd. ijd.
Pd for a frame & a matte for the communio table Pd for a napkyn to lappe the breade in	ijs. vj <i>d</i> . xx <i>d</i> .
It p ^d to Mr. Iohn Herick for ij bandes for Deske in the churche	xvj <i>d</i> .
Pd when the Comissioners were here for ye Swornemens	_
Diner	ijs.
[1574 to 1575.]	
Robarte Gaddesbye and Rycharde Stanforde Chourchwarde	ns.
Itm Resevde of Wyllm Pelton out of a tenement nere the canke well geven to the chourche of sente martenes by Henry parke for Ever	iijs. iiijd.
Itm Resevd in chourch workes for the wholle yeare Itm ped for puttynge oupe of a bylle to the quenes	liiijs.
Comyssynors	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm ped for ij Kyes for the Regestes locks & for neltes	vij <i>d</i> .
Itm ped for a bouke of Artyckels at the byssheps viseatacion	iiij <i>d</i> .

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[1575 to 1570.]

Kycharde Stanford and Thomas baladon, Ch.	hurchwardens.
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titure Stanjora and I homas variation, Charonwarati		
Receyved for church worke payd for an houre glasse*	iij <i>li</i> .	viij <i>d</i> . iiij <i>d</i> .
payd to xpofer Nedome for mendynge a sprynge of the		
chyme		iijd.
payd to xpofer Nedam for mendynge a Dogg of y Chyme		iiijd.
payd for a baudrycke for a bell		xijd.
payd to xpofer Neda for makynge a key for y poormans		
box		iiij <i>d</i> .
[1576 to 1577.]		
Thomas Balydon and ffrancys Norrys Churwardens.		
Reyceyvyd for church worke for the whole yeare	lijs.	ij <i>d</i> .
fourte bell whele	iiijs.	
Payed to Edwarde the stepleman in part of payment of		
poyntyng the steple	vs.	
[1577 to 1578.]		
(1.5// 10.15/01)		
ffraunces Norres and Willm Weste Churchwardens.		
Itm Received for church worke for ye hole yere	xlixs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Payment _e .		
Itin payd for An houre glasse for y Church		iiijd.
Itm payd for yo booke of articles		iiij <i>d</i> .

[•] This is an early mention of the Hour Glass in a church, but see references to earlier ones in "N. & Q." 6th S. vii. 511.

R⁴ By me Willim Westowe at the hands of Mr. Richard Davie xxs. w^{ch} was geven by one S^r Iohn Davie pson of Northe Wytham in y^{ch} County of Lincolne towards y^{ch} repare of the pishe churche of Sent Martyns in lester xs. and y^{ch} other xs. to be bestowed of the pore of the same pishe w^{ch} xs. was bestowed on the poor bye the discretion of the M^{re} of y^{ch} pishe the same day of Aprill 1578.

[1578 to 1579.]

Willm Westowes Churche warden.

Rd of Mr. Rie Davie we was gevin by S' John Davy Payd to Myles for shutyng xiij fathoms to the great bell	xs.
rope	xvjd.
[1579 to 1580.]	
Roger Stringgar & Henri brinchhurst Churche wardens.*	
Receved ffor cherch works 1578	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Receved ffor cherch works 1579 xxxi	xs. ijd.
[Twelve receipts for Bells:—For all the bells & lying in the characteristic for all the bells 5s. 4d. For three bells 20d.]	urch 12s.
Paid to goodwyff bodely ffor washing the surples and	
bord clothes	xvjd. xvd.
Paid for a bawdry ffor the greate bell	ijs. vd.
[Wages, &c.:—Masons paid 9d. per diem.]	.jo. va.

The yearly accounts were generally, at this period, made up and passed at a meeting held on Good Friday.

[1580 to 1581.]

Henry brynkhurst and Thomas Nyxe Churchewardens.

Receved off Thomas Staufford for reffewsyng to be Cherche	
warden	xs.
Receved ffor cherche works	xxxs.
More to Raff Clark payd ffor a noware Glas	iiij d .
Payd to Henry brynkhurst ffor bordes ffor the porch & ij	
planks & owne fforom & owne sette	vjs. iiijd.
Payd to godffre Copar ffor the x Commaundments	ixd.
Payd ffor owne bench wyth in my lords sett and mendyng	
other Setts wyth in the cherch	xxijd.
Payd to Mr. Heyrick ffor ix stryk off coles ffor the cherch	iijs.
Taya to min region not in stryk on coles not the energin	11,5.
[1581 to 1582.]	
Thomas Nixe and Richarde Orton Churchwardens.	
Received of Libius Chamberline for refusinge to be church-	
warden	xs.
Received of ye masters win this parishe towardes the	
mendinge of the clocke & the chyme	xxvs.
Received of the Eight & fortie wthin the same parishe for	AAVJ.
the same	Wasa.
Received of the Commoners within Mr. Manbies warde to	xvs.
	::: <i>.</i> : <i>3</i>
the mendinge of the same clock & chyme	iijs. vj <i>d</i> .
[The same in Mr. Hallam's ward 3s. 8d.: Mr. Stanford's ward	
2s. 3d.: Mr. Clarke's 2s. and Mr. Davies' 2s. 11d.]	
[Nine receipts for Bells, including one from "Willm Ridings	
wever" at the burial of his wife.]	
Paid to Willm grene the glasiar for iiij foote of new glasse	
blowne downe in the greate window in the west ende of	
the churche	ijs.
Paid for mending the settle vnd my lorde seate	iiij d .

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Paid for a baleridge to John Devis Paid for an Homyley booke called Bullingers decades vii Paid for mendinge the ffownt cover Paid for bordes to make a dore in the belffre Paid ffor mendinge the clocke & the chyme iijli.	rs. iiij <i>d</i> js. xij <i>d</i> viij <i>d</i> js.
[1582 to 1583.]	
Richarde Orton and Thomas Glose Churchwardens.	
Re& for church workes	and y
[1583 to 1584.]	
Thoms glosse and Robt Lublan Churchewardens.	
	s. s. vj <i>d</i> .
Payments.	
	s. s.

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1100 11000 miles by the Charles war acres	[1504-5.]
Paid for vj yards qtr of gre ffor Mr. maior sette	. vs.
Payd for bords a Red skine wth two qrtarne of tackes & for	
naylls & to the mā ffor tryming yo same	
Payd ffor yo bishop interagotories	•
Payd for a Injunction	•
Payd to ye bishop clark for his hand to or p'sentment	_
Payd ffor mending ye beare & the clock lether	
Payd to Mr. Wm. Yatts for mending the great bell clap,	-
& yron to it	. iijs. vjd.
Payd ffor making the bosses to two other bells	. iijs. vj <i>d</i> .
So Remayneth to the church at ye foote of yis Accommod Also a Comunion Cupp of sylver with a kever and the gyld with a napkyn and bullyngers Decades & the injunc	same Dubble
A Carpet for yo Comynyon Table	
ij g ^t bybells	
An old Tabell Clothe	
And a new	
A Surples	
vij Cusshi•.	
[1584 to 1585.]	

Robert Ludnam and John Woodforde churchwardenes.

Itm reseaved for churche workes for the whole yeare	lijs.	vjd.
It. payd for white leather to lyne the bell ropes		iiijd.
It. payd for mendinge sartayne seates		xxd.
It. payd for mendinge the greate church gate		vjd.
Itm payde for v yardes of green seaes for Mrs. Mayris		
seate	xijs.	vjd.
It. payd to thomas leay for triminge the same seate		xvd.

It is agreed by the pish that if any of the chyldren of the Mayors brethren or ther wyves Departe thys lyf yf the have any bells the shall paye accordinge to the custome and if the have not the bells the shall pay for the buriall of every chylde xijd.

And every one of the xlviij for there chyldren vid.

And every one of the best commoners for there children iiijd., if to be buried in the church varde.

The Churchwardens for y' yere John Woodford and Xpofer Needam. Remaynynge in theyr hande A Comunion Cupp and Napkyn wh a new table Cloth A Carpet for the Comunion table Two bybles Bullyngers Deacays, A Surples and vij Cusshyns. Ma that the new table Clothe herein mentyoned was bought wh parcell of this mooney wh Tho Woodford did reaceave.

Receyved of John Bonnet for not beynge Churchwarden

xs.

[1585 to 1586.]

John Woodforde and Christopher Needam Churchwardes.

Itm receved for Church workes for the whole yeare Itm payd to Mr. Mortone for v yardes of clothe for a	lìijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Comunion table Clothe at ijs. the yarde	xs.
Itm payd for ij yardes of fringe for the ends of the same	
clothe	viij <i>d</i> .
[Repairs for the "highe roofe above the clocke plumet," Plumbers 1s. a day: sawder 8d. a pound: charcoal 5d. a strike.]	
Itm payd to Peter Orton for a sicasion for Mr. Kiffin and	
Harrye Mould	xd.
Itm payd to Wittam Heyrke for a matt for the Aspytall	
womens seate	vjd.
Itm payd to thomas Leay for mendinge Mrs. Mearis seate	ijd.
Itm payd to Iohn Seele for whittleyther to mend the bell	,•
ropes	iiij d .
Itm payd to Godfree Couper for new bindinge the great	,
bible in the church	vs. iiijd.
Itm payd for silke stringes for the same bible	vid.
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Charges layde out for our goinge and apearance at Staumforde as followethe.	
Itm payd for two horse hires for iij dayes at x the day a	
pese	vs.
Itm payd to Peter Orton for his feefe for too church	
wardens	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for our horse meat at Staumforde	ijs. iiij d .
Itm payd for oure one charges at Staumforde	iiijs.
Itm payd for our horse charges at Upinggam homewarde	xviij <i>d</i> .
Itm payd for our one charges at Uppinggam	ijs.
Itm payd for a coppe of Mr. linneyes p'sentments	ijs. viij d.
Itm payd to the regester for his feefe there for the sworne	
men	ijs. iiij d .
Itm payd to Peter Orton for his feefe for foure swornmen	vjs. viijd.
& the sum of this parcell is xxviijs. xd.	
Summa totalis of the pamentes is	
viij <i>li</i> . iijs. x <i>d</i> .	
Development C. Martin for the channel	
Reseaved of the pishners of S. Martins for the charges	
and castinge of the forr bell as followethe.	
Imprimis reseaved of Mr. Mayor and ix other of his	,,
brethren vjs. viijd. the peesei	
Itm reseaved of xxj of the companye of the xlviij iijs. iiijd.	
Itm reseved of Mr. Cotton	vs.
Itm reseved of Mr. Smalley	iiijs.
Itm reseved of Mr. Sampsonne	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm reseved of Mr. Davie	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Itm reseved of Mr. Shyngletonne	ijs. vj d .
Itm reseved of Mr. turpine	ijs.
Itm reseved of Mrs. Stringer	ijs.
Itm reseved of Mr. Poulter	xviij d .

. Itm reseved of Mr. Linnye

Itm reseved of the cominars wthin Mr. Stanfordes warde...

Itm reseaved of the cominars within Mr. Morton's warde xxiijs. iijd.ob.

xijd.

Itm reseved of the cominars whin Mr. Manbyes warde ... xvijs.

Itm reseved of Mr. Ellis warde of the cominars therin ... vijs. vd.

Itm reseved of Mr. Yates ward of the cominars therin ixs.

The whole sum of these receites is xili. xvijs. vid. ob.

Charges for castinge the forr bell of the parishe of Saynt Martins in Leicester in the yeare of our lord 1585 Master James Clarke then beinge Mayor.

Imprimis payd for castinge the forr bell to the belfoundersvli.		
Itm payd for a hundred wayght of mettell in the bell more		
then it wayed before at vid. the pounde	lvjs.	
Itm payde for foure score and too pounde of mettell that	14 33.	
- ·		
was wasted in the castinge at vjd. the pounde	xljs.	
Itm payd for takinge Downe the bell out of the steeple		xxd.
Itm payd for a baudrike for the same bell		xijd.
Itm payd for gettinge the bell out of the Churche into		
y carte		iiijd.
Itm payd for a beridge when the bell was meltinge at Mr.		
Newcomes	ijs.	د:
	135.	vjd.
Itm payd to the belfounders servantes when the bell was		
taken out of the grounde and finished		xvj <i>d</i> .
Itm bestowed of them in ale & bread at the same time		vjd.
ltm payd to Iohn Harris for carreinge the bell to the		
founders		iiijd.
Itm payde to robert talor for bringeinge the bell to the		,
church agane		iiij d .
•		-
Itm payde for geettinge the bell into the steeple agayne		xvjd.
Itm payde to Iohn bayly for takinge Downe the bell and		
hanginge it vp in his frame agayne	ijs.	
Itm payde to Iohn bayly for mendinge the for bell frame		хd.
Itm payd to Christopher Needam for an Iorne band for		
the same		vjd.
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The whole sum of the payments for the bell is xli. xis. viii.

Reserved of Mr. Mayore monye remayinge of the bell monye xxvs. vd. Reseaved at the foote of this accounte of Iohn Woodford iijli. xiijs. And one booke of bullingers Decades, and one Comunion Cup of silver and gilte wh a cover of the same, a new table clothe and three ould table clothes, a napkin and a sirplis and a bible and a carpet for the Comunion table.

[15% to 1587.]

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Christopher Needam and Vallentyne Wells Churchwardens.

Itm Reseaved of Mr. James Clarke being mayor the yeare before monye remayninge for castinge the forr bell Itm reseaved Church woorkes for the whole yeare		
Receaved for too ould table Clothes xviijd.		
Itm payd for whittleather to mend the baudricks for the bells		iiij d .
Itm for foure New bell ropes at ijs. iiijd. the pece	ixs.	iiijd.
Itm payd for a hinge for the Collectors seat Dore		ijd.
Itm payd for mending the chime Hamer and the Springe		
and the spindell for the forr bell		vj d .
Itm payd to the ringers for ringing at the queens procla-		
mation		vjď.
Itm payd for too plancke and too thels in the liberary	ijs.	viij d .
Itm payd for lime rodes to katch starlinges	-	ijd.
Paments for the Mayors bretherens chappell.		
Imprimis payd for tenn yardes of seellinge to Henrye bring- hurste at ijs. the yard	XXS.	

[•] Probably an "allowance" of beer given to the workmen employed: the custom of giving what was called "low-

ance" was common in Leicestershire in my younger days, and may possibly still be known.

The Accounts of the Churchwardens	[1590-1.]
Pd for the Bysshopps Artycles Pd to a poore woman in the church Pd to the Ryngers on St. Hughes Day* Pd to Peter Orton for a booke called the new Catecisme Pd for wyne to the Comunion	xij <i>d</i> . viij <i>d</i> . viij <i>d</i> . xvj <i>d</i> . ijs. xj <i>d</i> .
[1589 to 1590.]	
Wyllm Hobbye & Henry Halfepennye Churchewardyns	•
Received for churche woorks	xlvs. vjd.
[Four receipts for bells at Burials, including "of Mrs. Heyric bells and lyinge in the churche for her hussband xijs."]	the for all the
Pd to Mr. Fytche for wyne vppon East ² Daie Last past Pd to the Rynggers of St. Hugh his Daie last past Pd to tow woorkemen for makyng of the churche yard yate house [&c.]	xvjd. vjd. vs.
Pd for tymber & boards for the same yate house [&c.] Pd vppon Palme Sondaie last for breade & wyne more then was gathred Pd for a shoovel	vs. viijd. xd. iijd.
[1590 to 1591.]	
Henrye Halpenye and Willm Wardes Churchwardens.	
Re& for churche worke for the whole yeare	xlijs. vij <i>d</i> .
& cresse to the same	xjs. vj <i>d</i> .
churche	xvjd.

^{*} In celebration of the Accession of Queen Elizabeth on that day, 17th November.

[1592-3.] of Saint Martin's, Leicester.	135
Itm pd to the spitle house [Wigston's Hospital] foulke because they did not gathar in the church Itm pd for paper to write the church workes Itm pd for a hundred & a halfe of slates Itm payd for two workmen for slatinge the yathouse*	vj <i>d.</i> ij d. xiiijd. ijs.
[1591 to 1592.]	
William Ward and Robeart Newbould Churchwardens.	
Red. in money that was in the pormanes Box ye some of Red. ffor churche workes ffor the wholl yeare	ixs. xd. lijs. ijd. ob.
ffyrst payd to Mr. James clarke ye 2 of Apryll for a Sarvis Booke Pd for wine of Ester Day beinge ye 4th of Aprill more then were given in the church. Pd to a pore mann that hadd the queenes brod Seale ye did not gather in the church Pd for ij Lockes for the two Dores in the bellhouse to Rychard Cheshyre the smith the xth of Apryll Pd to a pore man that was not gathered for in the church ye second of May Pd to John Hearycke for an oure glasse the same day [20th March]	viijs. iijs. viij d. xx d. vj d. iiij d .
[1592 to 1593.]	
Roberte Newbold & Roberte Carter Churchewardens.	
Receaved of Easter Daye att the Comunyon being the xxvj th of March more then payd wyne & bread that daye [Three more similar receipts.] Re& for churche workes for the whole yeare	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .

[•] Or Penthouse, so called in the Account for the year 1598-9.

The Accounts of the Churchwardens	[1593-4.]
It payd to Ry& Chesshire the vijth of Apryll for mendynge	-
the keye of the Librarye Doore	vj <i>d</i> .
It payd to Mr. Chettle that he gave to a poore man wth a	٠,۵.
testymonyall he beinge maior	viij <i>d</i> .
It payd to goodman Kyrke for ij mats for the formes to the	viijo.
Comunion table	viij <i>d</i> .
It payd to Kyrke the xvj of November for vij mats for the	viija.
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newe seates	xxd.
It payd to Willm Shine for viij Dayes worke in the churche	
to place the seates	vjs.
It payd to george Longleye the paynter in parte of pay-	
mente for washing & payntynge & gyldinge the queenes	
armes in our church bye severall portyons	iiij <i>li</i> .
It payd more to george Longleye the paynter the xxiiijth of	
December	xxxjs. viijd.
It payd to Roberte Humber the xth of Marche for iiij Dayes	
worke in makinge vp the lybrarye wall agayne & the	
Labourer to helpe him	iiijs. viii <i>d</i> .
It payd to george Longley the reste of his monye for	
washing & payntynge of the Churche	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
It payd to Thomas Stableford for selinge for the Lybrarye	
Door	xls.
[1593 to 1594-]	
Robert Carter and Anthony Webster Chourchwardens.	
Itm ree for church woorkes for the whole yeare	XXViijs. iiijd.
Itm Receaved of Michaell Thornton for not serving out	• •
his yeare in his office of the churchwarden	V3.
Imp'mis paied by the commandment of Mr. Maior and	-
other magistrates to a poore mayde web went to London	iijs. iiij d .
Itm paied to Rowland by the Comaundemt of Mr. Maior	
and other magistrates for whytinge the library within	
y* beli free	xvjd.
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Itm paied to Willim Sheene for iiijor dayes worke & his boy	
in and about the makinge of the seats for the xlviijtie	iijs. iiijd.
Itm paied for tymber to make the style [or gate] at the new	
Auspytall	xij <i>d</i> .
Itm paied for a pound & an halfe of wooll & garnishinge	
nayles in and aboute Mr. Maiors seate	ijs.
Itm paied for mendinge the beer whereon vysyted folkes	
were carried & nayles to ye same*	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm payed to Willm Sheene for makinge the purtycion in	
St. George Chappell	viij <i>d</i> .
Itm paied for stonne to make the mullette of yo west	
wyndowe	xd.
Itm paied to the mason for workmanshippe	vs. vjd.
Itm paied for xxtie foote of new glasse at vd. the foot	viijs. iiijd.
Itm paied for settinge of syxtene foote of old glasse	ijs, viij <i>d</i> .
Itm paied to Mr. Yates for iij barrs of Iron to the same	
west wyndow	xd.
Itm payd to Iohn Lanckford for the mendinge of the	
church booke	iijs.
Itm payd to Mr. James Clarke for serge to trim Mrs.	•
Mareis seat and Mrs. Clark's seat	vs. iiijd.
Itm for ix hundred of garnishinge nayles	xij <i>d</i> .
Itm for to latches and catches for the outer Dores whear	,
the Eyght and forty sytts	xvjd.
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Receaved by me Anthonie Webster churchwarden one bible 2 Service bookes Bulling' a Comunion Cuppe web silver and gilt, one napkin, 2 table cls a surplus, one Carpett 8 Cushions & Kayes.

Also receaved 7 bookes that were chaynedd in the Church and geven by Symon Craftes.

[•] The Plague "ravaged the town from period in 1594." (See Mr. Kelly's Visitations the summer of 1593 to nearly the same of the Plague at Leicester, p. 9.)

[1504 to 1595.]

Anthone Webster and Richard Foulgare Chruch wardenes.

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Rev for chruchs workes for the whole yeare
[Those given by Simon Crofts as notified above.]
Ped for a prear booke to John Watkin for the queene viijd.
Ped to christofor nedome for one chene and stapiles for
the bookes xiiijd.
Received of the parrish of S. Martines for the chargis of castinge
the leades of the chruch and other charges as folowethe.
Imprimis received of xj of the Mayres breethren and Mr.
Cottonijli.
Itm received of xxij of the Compannee of the xlviij xxd.
prse xxxvjs. viijd.
Itm received of Mr. Relgrave
Itm received of Mr. Pilkington
Itm received of Mr. Warde
[Also receives from the Commoners in five Wards, making in the whole
is as, two this special work.
Poli to goodman greene for eastings of xxvy C 1 q vijh of
leavic at xx2 the hundred
Pol to goodman greene inj C 1 q viji
Post to goodman greene for v dayes workes
Pol to Mt. Robotte Hericke for vy stort of heavile vjs.
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Eichard: floger enourch muster
Receaved ffor church works this whole years whise tiple.

Receaved of the Maio ⁿ bretheren ffor the Comunyon place. I say receaved of xij of them and of Mr. Cotton amonge wth Mr. Tompson and Mr. Secheverell*	ls.	
Receaved of xixtie of the Eyght & fortee	xxxjs.	viiid.
Receaved of the Communars	xixs.	-
Rd of Mr. Mobes for the leave to the Sealing of the		•
Comynon place	iijs.	iij <i>d</i> .
Rd of Mr. frances beligrave for the lyck	-	vjd.
Pd for takinge downe ye doctors + seat & settinge yt vpp		
agayn		xijd.
Pd more to an Hospytal man		xijd.
Pd to a pore woman of Melton		xijd.
Paid to Thomas Stapleforde for Seelinge the Comunyon		•
placeii	ij <i>li.</i> vijs.	iiijd.
Paid to a skrybe that helpe to mayke vpp ower Booke	•	xijd.
M. the 16th of Aprell 1596 the account of Rychard F	owllger	and

M. the 16th of Aprell 1596 the account of Rychard Fowliger and Artter Hynman.

[An epitome only: Arthur Hinman released upon payment of a fine of 5s. George Brookes also paid a fine of 10s. for not being Churchwarden.]

[1596 to 1597.]

Barthollmew Parnell and John fflamson Churchwardens.

Receved the xxvth of March 1597 vpon the churche accompte...... xlviijs.

[•] The Rev. Thomas Sacheverell was at this time Town Preacher. He married Mary, the daughter of Alderman Robert Heyrick, and became Vicar of S. Martin's in 1614. See Transactions of Leicestershire

[•] The Rev. Thomas Sacheverell was at Arch. Soc. vol. v., p. 140, for information is time Town Preacher. He married about him.

[†] Probably Dr. Chippindale who was Commissary to the Bishop of Lincoln.

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Receved of the gentellman's father that was slaine, for the	
bells & lyinge in the churche	xijs.
Receaved of Iohn fflampson for refusinge to serve the latter	
yeare of his churchwardenshippe	vs.

Memorand' that Mr. Mayor and Mr. Holmes have appointed the Clarke, the Sexton, Wm. Beckett and Tho. Nashe to ringe at all such times as there shalbe neede.

[1597 to 1598.]

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John Heyricke and John Laundar Churchwardes.

Furst Receved of Artar Hynman at the foot of his accompt dewe to the Chirch of sent Martins xlijs. but recevid of	
him	xijs. v <i>d</i> .
Rd of Thomas Heyricke Mercer for refusing the Church-wardenship	xs.
Rd of Henry Billington for the same refusing the ofis	xs.
Recevid at Ester and a Lyttle afore for church woke	37s. 8d.
Pd for Payntinge the Comvnion place and the Chirch 80	
yard _e	xxvjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Paid for a Bovrd of 13 foot lovng and nails for a sete for	
Jentle wimen	xvjd.
Pd for Matte for Mr. Danite seat & Mr. Hovlmes	xviij <i>d</i> .
Pd to a Hvnggarian and a nother man	ijs.
Pd to foster ovr Sackerston for his pains in dressing the shets	vs. iiijd.
Pd for a Booke to Regester Children & marigis & Burialls	xvj <i>d</i> .
Pd for 3 yarde great Wyer to make a Soon Dyall with	Avju.
which Master Belgrave made to set the Clock by at the	
end of the New Ospitall	xijd.
Pd to a shipman that Lost 9 C pownds vpon the seys	xij <i>d</i> .
[Several charges for "thoungs" for the bell clapers.]	Alju.
Payd to Iohn Longford for a New Byble in money xs. and	
ovne ovld Byble vallvid at vjs. xvjs	xs.

Rd A Byble A Coomvnion Cvpp a Sarvis Booke Byllengars Dekads, a Surplis, two Coomvnion Table Clothes an ovld Carpt for the table vj Cushins An Napkin, A Parafrasse of Arasmus And a new Booke geven By Mr. Barfey of ——— The Acts and Moniment, or the booke of Martars.*

[1598 to 1599.]

Iohn Heyricke and William Vickers Church wardens.

Rd for Wine & Bred of Lowe Soonday at a Comvnion iiijs. viijd. all wine paid for the remayner geven to the pore.....

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[There is an entry as to the Communion once a month, apparently on the 2nd Sunday. Sometimes the balance between alms and the cost of wine given to the poor as above, sometimes credited to the account, the whole receipt for this source is vijs. iijd. ob.]

Recevid this Ester 1599 and after Ester for Church workes of oure parishioners the wholle sum of	xlvijs.	ijd.
Rd of Mr. Robert Pilkington Buried In the Chavnsill	vs.	iiijd.
Rd of Mrs. Seaton for the Buriall of her mother mistris Renovlds In the Chappell called Mr. Renovlds chapell	xs.	
Rd more of Thomas Paire that Mr. Chettle deseced gave		
to the Chirch	xs.	
Payd for a glasse windoe making In the Comvnion place Payd for takinge down the slates of the pentis over the		xxd.
yats		viij <i>d</i> .

It is ordered that whosoever shall hereafter refuse to be Church-warden shall pay for his fine xiijs. iiijd.

Apill the 21 day and Iohn Lavnder were discarge Beecavse of his ofis of Chambrlinship for the town. Dewe to mee at the foot of oure acomp 175. 7d."

^{*} At the commencement of the above account is the following in Mr. John Heyricke's writing:—"And so I remained Church warden this year following 1598

[1599 to 1600.]

William Ive & Nicholas Gillott Churchewardens.

Here begynneth the Receipte and paymentes at the Communions for Wine and bread since the xxvth day of Aprill 1599 vntill the xjth daie of Aprill 1600 as followeth.

[Thirteen entries: the average received at each Communion about 3s. which did not pay for the sacred elements.]

Payd more for bread & wine then wee have Receaved of this Accompte iiijs. ixd. ob.

Receaved for Church Works	. ls.	
Imp'mis [paid] for a Common prayer booke for Mr. Home Item payde to Mr. Homes for wrytinge the regester book	-	xd.
in parchment	. xxvjs.	
Item payd for a Carpett for the Comvnion table	. xs.	
Item payd to Henrye Halpeney for slates lyme and sand and for workemanshipp aboute the ij porches [i.e. North		
and South]	. xvjs.	iiij d .
Item for borde quarters and divers peeces of many sortes of borde, Tymber for the ij porches the church, aboute the leades the bell wheles, the bell frame the clocke	iij <i>li</i> .	ij <i>d</i> .
howse wth lathes and shafte for lattisinge		
Item all sortes of neales xs. viijd.		
Item payd for an Hower glasse and a Pewter dishe for the		
Comvnion table		cxij d .
Item payd for pavinge of the Cawsie to the workemen Item payde for border stones	•	vj <i>d,</i> kiiij <i>d</i> .
Item for v loades of sande for the same	iiijs.	iiijd.
Item payd to George Longley for whitinge the church		
Item payd to the Highe Constable Mr. Woodforde	xxxs.	

Provided allwaies that it is fully agreed vppon that whosoever shall refewse hereafter to be Church Warden shall paye for his fyne xxs.

[1600 to 1601.]

Nicholas Gillott and George Howett Churchwardens.

Inicholas Gillott and George Howell Churchwardens.		
Red for bread & wine at the Comvnion xs. vijd. whereof payd for bread iiijd. wyne viij qts ixs. iiijd. whereof		
reme th		xjd.
[There are fifteen other similar entries.]		
Ree for Church worke	xlvjs.	viijd.
Imp'mis payd to the Clarke for his whole yeares wages for the Clocke and Chyme	xxiiijs.	
Item payd more to him for the washinge of the Church		
Clothes		xvjd.
Item payd to the Sexston for his whole yeares wages	xvjs.	
Item payd to Miles for a great roope for the Chyme plumett	iijs.	vjd.
Item payd to younge Christopher needam for mendinge of		
the Chyme when the springe were broken	ijs.	ij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for mendinge of the Cathe of the Chyme barrell		
and for the keye for the for bell Hamer and for the ryvetts	•	
and a new bolster for the chyme	ijs.	
Stuffe for Mr. Majors seat & the Ladies seat		
and for mendinge others in the Churche.		
Item for vj postes	vijs.	
Item for boordes quarters reales and crestes	xs.	xd.
Item for turninge the postes	iiijs.	
Item for fringe for the seate	iijs.	ij <i>d</i> .
Item payd George Langlie for paintinge the seate	iijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd to William Sene for iiij dayes worke	iijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for a matte for Mris Marys Seate		iij <i>d</i> .
Item for reade leather and neales for the seates		iij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for mendinge of ij balricks for the belle		xijd.
Item payd for Charges at Mr. Doctors Courte for Charges		•
when we were in suite wth Mris Chamberlyn	vs.	xd.

term moved to John Clarks for mountings and for his mhala	
Item payd to Iohn Clarke for wrytinge and for his whole years goinge vp and downe callinge the companyes to gether about the collection for the poore & church	
bussines	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
[1601 to 1602.]	
George Howett & Thomas Pestell Churchwardens.	
Item Receaved of the leavie that was made the xxvjth day of July to paye Certen dette that the pish was in	
Whereof	
Payd to William Ive and Nicholas Gillottii	i <i>li.</i> xiiiis. vid.
and to Robert Cliston as appereth by his bill	
and to ffrauncis Churchman	
and to William Beckett	•
and to Bowett Croftes	ijs. xd.
Som totalis of paymente vili. xiijs. and so there	
remayneth in my hande the some of—— xxxvijs.	
vjd. more then I have pd.	
Item Receaved for Church workes	xliiijs. iiijd.
Item payd for mendinge of S' Edward _e [Sir Edward Hastings]	
and my ladies sheats as followeth Item payd for a peece	
of seelinge for my Ladies seat	
Item to a Joyner for makinge S' Edwards Seat bigger	
Item for yallow neales	,
Item payd for a read skynne	
Item payd for halfe a yarde of sea	•
Item payd to Kyrke for mattinge of S' Edwarde seat and	
my Ladies	•
Item payd to Coldwell for the last alteringe of Sr Edwarde	
Scate	ijs. vjd.

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[1602 to 1603.]

Thomas Pestell and Edward Wanley Churchwardens.

Item payde to Mr. Holmes for keepinge of the regester		
booke	iijs.	iiijd.
Item payd to a Soldier	vs.	
Item for the biddells Coate makinge		xijd.
Item payd to Coldwell for Worke aboute the pulpitt	vjs.	
Item for paintinge of it	vs.	

[1603 to 1604.]

Edward Wanley and Iohn Overing Churchwardens.

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Item Ree of Mr. Sacheverill	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item Reg of Sr Henry Hastings for the Belles	vs. iiijd.
Reg at last accompte	xiijs. iiijd.
Item Re& for church workes	xlvjs. viijd.
Item payd to the Ringers when her Matie was in this towne	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for makinge and mendinge of three Ballrickes	
for the bells	ijs. iijd.
Item payd for mendinge of three bell Clapers	vjs. viijd.
Item payd for layinge downe fyve great stonnes and for	
pavinge of the church and for mendinge of the founte	iiijs.
Item payd for mendinge of Sr Henry Hastings sheate	vjd.
Item payd for mendinge the longe seate in the Comvnion	
place & for mendinge of other Seates	xij <i>d</i> .

Receyved by Iohn Overinge a byble two service bookes the booke of Acte and monymente Bullingers Decades, a paraphrase of Erasmus j gilte Comvnion Cupp j Pewter Dish, a litle gilte pewter dish to gether in, j Surplish j table Cloth j napkyne & vj olde chussens j Carpett & one booke called Jewell and Hardinge, a new Comunion booke j booke of cannons.

[1604 to 1605.]

Iohn Overinge and ffrauncis Churchman Churchwardens.

Item Reg for Church worksiijli.
Item Reg for the olde Surplis iiijs. vjd.
Item Reg for the olde Communion booke iijs. vjd.
Item Reg for the Rent for one years for the house at the
Canke well iijs. iiijd.
Receaved of the leavie for the buyinge of the Communion
booke the Cannons and the Surplis and other things iijli. viijs. jd.
Item [paid] for mendinge of the Church yate next the
ffreares [i.e. the South Gate] vjd.
Item leade forth when the greate Bell fell downe xvijs. xjd.
Item payd for mendinge of the chyme when the greate
bell fell downe ijs.
Item for the Communion booke & the Cannons viijs. xd.
Item for Cloth for the Surplis xxxixs. iijd. ob.
Item for ij skeynes of white silke iijd.
Item for makinge and washinge of it vs.
Item for the poore mans boxe xvjs. iiijd.
Item for makinge ij keyes and mendinge of the lockes of
the greate Cheste
[Four Sidesmen as well as two Churchwardens chosen for the ensuing year.]
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[1605 to 1606.]

ffrauncis Churchman and Thomas Walker Churchwardens.

Receiptes for bread and wyne at the Comvnion [fifteen receipts.] Som totalis lviijs. iiijd.

> Paymente [for the same.] Som totalis iijli. vijs. vjd. Wherof more payd than was ree ixs. ijd.

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Som totalis of Receipte [for the year] ixli. xviijs. vijd. Som totalis of paymente xvijli. xvjs. Deu vnto ffrancis Churchman vijli. xvijs. vd.

[1606 to 1607.]

Thomas Walker and Thomas Nursse Churchwardens.

Receipte for breade and wine at the Communions [fourteen receipts.] Som totalis xlvijs. ob.

Paymente [for the same.] Som totalis iijli. vd.

Payd more then was Ree xiijs. iiijd. ob.

Item Re& of Mr. Robert Hericke for a gravestone web must not goe forth never out of the church Item Re& for the church workes	xs. xlijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Item payde for one loade of lyme Item payde to Iohn Harris for one loade of Sande	vjs. viij <i>d</i> . xvj <i>d</i> .
Item for Egges	iiijs. vijd.
Item for iijli of Allome	хd.
Item for j strike of peeces	ixd.
Item payde for iiijii of Rosen	vij <i>d</i> .
Item for woode to seeth the peeces	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payde more for egges	iiijs.
Item payde for three Strikes of mault	vjs.
Item payd for thre strikes of Smythie Coine	iijs.
Item payde more for one loade of lyme	vjs. viijd.
Item payd more for j loade of sande	xijd.

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Item payd for a pecke of Cretch lyme*	vjd.
Item payd to Richarde Burstall for iiij dogges of Iron for the stones	xvjd.
Item payde for foure stones for the steeple	iiijs.
Item payde to Iohn Wales for pointinge of the steeple vjl	•
Item payde to George Longley for payntinge of the Church iijh	•
Item payde to vth Daye of August to William Inge for fyve	viijs. viija.
hundred and a halfe of new leade and for the change of	
olde leade for the batlemtes of the steple	lvs.
Item payd to the plumers for their worke aboute the Batle-	143.
mente and for leade layinge for savinge of the foundacon	
of the roofe	xxvijs. xd.
	ARTIJO. AUT.
Hanginge of the belle	
Item payde to Richarde Burstall for a peece of Woode for	
to make ij yokes for the belle	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item payd to William Ludlam for j peece of wood	xd.
Item payde for sawinge of the woode	xij <i>d</i> .
Item payde to Richarde Burstall for Iron Worke for the	
belle iiijl	
Item payde to Mr. Newcombe for new brasses for the belle	vjs. viijd.
Item payde for a peece of tymber in the bell howse	xviij <i>d</i> .
Item payde to the workeman for the hanginge and mendinge	
of the belle iijl	i. xxd.
Item payde to the Sexton for helpinge of him	xixs. vjd.
Item payd to goodman Himner for lyme and sande and for mendinge the church wall woh was broken down with the	
great wynde	iiijs. x <i>d</i> .
Item payd to ffrauncis Churchmanvijli	. xvijs. vd.
* This composition of mortar is note- worthy (See also under dates of 1600-10 was probably the ashes fr	

scribed further on, "calves leather pieces [i.e. rough pieces from the skin] to make

worthy. (See also under dates of 1609-10 was probably the ashes from a smithy and 1630-1). The "peeces" were, as de- · furnace. See "N. & Q. 6th S. vii. 288 and viii. 15, 115, 154, for interesting notes on old English mortar.

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			layd forth for the	xlijs. vd.
			de for the poore ii	•
So		eipte of th	year] xvjli. xiiijs. va ne levie xxvjli. vjs. i . xixs. ixd.	
[1607 to 1608	.]			
:	Thomas Morsse and	l ffrauncis	Beste Churchwardens.	
for bells and bu	rials including: b	ells at the	Communion and twent burial of Sampson L f the plague then again	.arge, his wife,
Re& of Mrs. S Re& for good	Stanley for a lega wife Hobbie of	cy given Mr. Sach	to the church everell for the lyke	xlviijs. vjd. vjs. viijd. vs.
beare Item payde to Item payde t	William Simson	for a new	w BeareCoveringe the este	vj <i>d</i> . ixs. xs.
[1608 to 1609.]			
	ffrauncis Beste and	l Iohn Blo	unte Churchwardens.	
	-		ell [as usual]	xliiijs. iijs. iiijd.
copy of] to I Item payde to	Bugden [where the Mrs. Chettell fo	Bishop of r wyne g	the regester [yearly Lincoln then resided] iven to S' William	xviijd.
Hericke	•••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • •		ijs. vj <i>d</i> .

[1609-10.] of Saint Martin's, Leicester.	151
Item payde to Humier for worke done over the greate porch Item given to ij travilers at Mr. Maiors appointment Item payd to Robt Ludlam for worke done about the	iiijs. xviij <i>d</i> .
Clocke & for peecinge and mendinge of the Hande Item payd for a payle that was stolne	ijs. vj <i>d</i> . xij <i>d</i> .
[1609 to 1610.]	
. John Blounte and James Ellis the younger Churchward	ens.
[Fourteen entries for Holy Communion and sixteen receipts for Belincluding:—]	ls and Burials
Item Re& for the bells and buryall of Mr. Orpewood Item Re& for the bells and buriall of Mr. John Herycks Child in the churche	xijs. xijs.
Item Receaved of the Church leave xiijli	•
Item Receaved for the Churchwork?	ljs. iijd.
Item payde to Richarde Hudsone and Roberte Coldwell for takinge vpp seats in Renolds Chappell	xiiij <i>d</i> .
towne	iiijs.
for the seate	xxxs. jd. xvijs. viijs. ijd.
[Following the last abstracted Account is a list—without heading— of the parish who were assessed towards, or who contributed to, consist the Church: after which, also without any descriptive heading cayments from which the following entries are extracted.]	-of inhabitants derable repairs
mp'mis geven to William Simpson in earnest	xij <i>d</i> .

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Item payde to him vppon his bargaynexxx	.;; <i>];</i>	
Item payde more to him for puttinge in a beame	xls.	
Item payde to one to helpe them lifte	AD.	vid.
Item payde for Iron worke aboute the beame	iiijs.	vja.
Item bestowed of them at the Rearinge	vs.	
Item to there boyes	vs.	
•		vjd.
[Paving of the Churchyard.]		
Item payde to Lepington for washinge and whitinge of		
the church and plasteringe of the porch	xxxvs.	xd.
Item payde for Castinge of Seaven scorce and foure hundred	_	
of leade and fyndinge woode and carriage xiiiji	<i>li</i> . viijs.	
Item payde for 32 hundreth and fower pounde of new leade		
at xvjs. the hundred xx	v <i>li</i> . xijs.	vjd.
Item to foure plumers vj dayes above layinge of the leade	_	-
of the Church	xxiiijs.	
Item for neales bought in the m'kett	xxs.	
Item payde to the laborers of lifte the leade to waye it and		
lode it	vs.	
Item for there breakfast when the wayed it		xijd.
Item to theire boyes		vjd.
		-
Paymente aboute poyntinge of the Church		
Imp'mis given to Humer and bestwell in Earnest		iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for iiij loade of lyme	xxxijs.	•
Item for vj loads of sande	vijs.	
Item for carringe in of the lyme and sande	•	wijd.
Item payde for vij strikes of glovers peeces	vijs.	•
Item payd for viij strikes of smithie Coine	-	vjd.
Item payde more for glovers peeces		xvd.
Item payde for woode to see the the peeces	ijs.	vjd.
Item payde for a place to see the it in	•	vjd.
Item payde more for woode		xd.
Item payde to them for theire worke	rij <i>li</i> . xs.	

iijs. iiijd.

[Here followeth a part of the Will of Richard Elkington, late of Shawell, Leicestershire, yeoman, who left certain monies for the benefit of Leicester and Lutterworth, now known as Elkington's Charity.]

[1610 to 1611.]

James Ellice the yonger and Raphe Hollingeworth Churchwardens. Receaved for the Church woorkes..... Here begynneth the Receipte for the castinge of the seconde bells as followeth. [A long list of receipts follows headed by 10s. from Mr. John Mabbs, Mayor.] Paymente. Item payde for takinge the seconde bell downe out of the steeple ijs. ixd. Item payde to goodman blackeshawe for giveinge Mr. Hollingworth sumons to be at the towne Hall before Mr. Maior and Mr. Doctor Chippingdale [The Bishop's iiijd. Commissary]..... Item given to Mr. Doctor Porter when xixten of the parish went to speake wth him about the choyce of the Churchvid. warden.... Item given to the bellfounders at the wayinge of the bell to drinke vid. Item given to them for their beridge [refreshment] at the Castinge of the bell ijs. vid. Item to drinke at the wavinge of the bell againe vjd. Item payde to William Symson for hanginge of the bell... xs. Item in drinke to the workemen that hunge the bell....... xijd.

Item given to Mr. Yarde for his fee in the Courte againste Mr. Hollingworth for Refewsinge to be the Church Warden

Item payde to Sexton and an other workeman for helpinge aboute the bell at the gettinge of it vpp Item pd to Richarde Burstall for mendinge the seconde bell Claper Item payde to Thomas Burstall the 30 th of Auguste for mendinge all the nether windowes belonginge to the	xviijs.	xijd.
Church	XXXS.	
Item payde Edwarde Baggott for v baldricke for the belle Item given to him (Robert Humier) in Consederacon that	iiijs.	
he shoulde watche no more to the visited people nor		
coulde not have no worke	iiijs.	
Item payd to Thomas Cadman for the Communion Table		
3 of Januarye	xxijs.	
Item payde to Samuell Cowp the v th of ffebruary for glazinge the vesterie windowe	vs.	
Item pd to Wm. Inge and Thomas Burstall 14th of March for mendinge the lead? over the Liberarie		xijd.
Item pd to William Readlye for makinge of twoe tables of		
the olde Communion table	iijs.	
Item for the tymber and worke about the seate wherein	2-3-1	
the Clarke doth site	vs.	

[The account of Francis Best and John Blount Churchwardens for the year 1608-9 was re-examined: upon which occasion Dr. Chippendale, Mr. Rudyard, the two Churchwardens, Mr. Palmer, Mr. Blount and others dined together at a cost to the Church of xis. iid.]

Receaved more of the Cessment for the bell then was payde of that money.....vli. xjs. vijd. And remaynneth due to James Ellicevli. xixs. id. Remayneth now dew to the saide James Ellice

[Thomas Winbie being nominated by "Mr. Holmes minister" as one Churchwarden for the ensuing year, a contest arose as to the other warden: four (including the Mayor) voted for Mr. Hollingworth and twelve for William Smith.]

[1611 to 1612.]

Thomas Wynbie and William Smith Churchwardens.

[Fifteen entries of Holy Communion: the alms for the whole year—53s. 3d.—did not pay for the Sacred Elements—£3 5s. 1d.]

[Thirty-nine receipts for Bells and Burials, including John Stanfords mayde and his child; Mr. Edward Love, Mrs. Love and Mr. Love's man; Coldwells two daughters and Jeffery Coldwell; John Caters two children; two of Richard Beck's children.*]

Item for the bells and buryall in the Church of olde Mrs.	
Heyricke xijs.	
Item Receaved for the Church woorkes	
Item Re& of the old Cessment for the second belliijli. xvjs.	
Item Ree of the leave that was made this yeare for the	
seconde bell viijli. xviijs. xjd	•
Ree of Mr. Chamberlyn Churchman of the money that	
was gathered in the Church for the Grecyan bishopp vs. viijd	
Item payde to the Sexton far Ringinge for mountegne iiijd	
Item payde to the Seckerston for burining of the poore	
vizited people by Mr. Maiors appoyntment iijs. iiijd	
Item payde to Richard Blisse for giveing warninge of the	
vizitacon iiijd	•
Item payde to Mr. Palmer for excusinge vs at the visitacon	
at Harborow † ixs. vjd	
Item payde for an Hower glasse xijd	•
Item payde to Robte Newcomevijli. ixs.	

[•] These deaths indicate only too truly the existence again in Leicester of that fearful scourge the Plague. Indeed it was of so virulent a character at this time that this visitation has been called "The Great Plague of Leicester," "when hundreds of

the population were swept away by it from the time of its first outbreak in June, 1610, almost to the same period in 1611." (Kelly, p. 24.)

[†] Held there on account of the Plague being in Leicester.

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M' it is fully Condiscended and agreed that if any belle be Ronge at any buryall hereafter and the Seckerston first not haveinge the churchwardens Consente or one of them for the payment of the money for the saide buryalle That then the seckerston shalbe desmissed of his Office for the first defaulte And if the churchwardens have knowledge and take not sufficient securytie, that then they shall paye for the Ringinge them selves.

[1612 to 1613.]

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William Smith and Roger Cootes Churchwardens.

Red of the Leave that was made xxijl	•	•
Item payd to William Rawlyn for 4 notes for the chyme barrell for ij Cotters and for makinge other worke about		
the chyme	vijs.	vjd.
Item pd to six Ringers for Ringinge 3 days when the Kinge		
and prince was here	xviijs.	vjd.
Item payde for a table for the decrees [degrees] of Marriages		xijd.
Item payd to Robte Ludlam for twoe payre of Hinges for		
my Lords seate	ijs.	
Item payd to Roberte Coldwell for makinge of new seate		
in the churchi	ij <i>li</i> . ixs.	

It is agreed [&c.] That there shalbe no bells Ronge at any Marriage excepte they paye to the Churchwardens then beinge the some of ijs. vjd. to be payde p'sently vppon the belle Ringinge, and then only to have but three peales at the most and if the have any more peales to pay ijs. for everye peale.

Item given the saide daye and yeare above written by Mr. Thomas Manbie Maior to the Church to Remayne for Ever one pewter flagon.

[1613 to 1614.]

Roger Cootes and William Biller Churchwardens.

Item Receaved for the Church works	lijs.
Item paid to William Greene for mendinge of the ffonte Item payd for a booke of Jewelle Worke	•
at the Assesses Item payd for Iron worke about the greate beame	xijd. xxxixs. vjd.
Item payde to Robt ^o Coldwell for makinge a deske for the bookes and the sexton to helpe him	vjs. viijd. xxijd.
Item payde by Mr. Maiors appoynt to the prisoners and for buryinge of poore people as appeareth by the byll	xxxviijs. xjd.
Som totalis of paymente xviijli. xjs. ijd. ob. Som totalis of Receipte viijli. xiijs. xjd. Due to Roger Cootes ixli. xvijs. iiijd. ob.	

[1614 to 1615.]

William Biller and Thomas Brookes Churchwardens.

[Receipts at Holy Communion 13 times iijli. ijs. vijd. Payments at Holy Communion 13 times iijli. viijs. xjd. Twenty-two receipts for Bells and Burials including:—]

Item for the bells for the Kings mate surgion vs. iiijd.

Item for the bells and buryall in the Church of Henry	
Astell & his wife	xxiiijs.
[Two daughters of Wm. Symons buried.]	-
Re& of Thomas Brookesbie for his fyne	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Red vppon a leave	ixli. xvjs. ixd.
Ree for the church worke	ls.
Ree for the belle at Mr. Morton's mayds wedinge*	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Ree of Mr. Thomas Rudyard for quridge for his seate	xijd.
Item payde to Bartholomew Lynsey for on monethes paye	
towarde the Releife of the prisoners the 18th of Maye	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
If payd to the Ringers the 5th of August	xxd.
Item payde to the Ringers for Ringinge when his Matie	
came to Leicester	xiijs.
Item given to a poore man that cam $w^{th}\ L'nes\ pattent \ell\ \dots$	ijs.
Item payd for a matt for the Chamberlyns sheate	ixd.
Item given in Earnest to Mr. Thomas Manbie xijd. in	
Consideracon whereof he hath bounde him selfe to serve	
sainte Martyn Church wth so much sufficient Sowder as	•
the Church shall neede at viijd. the pound for seaven	
yearcs next ensucinge.	
Thomas Manhie	

Thomas Manbie.

Sofii totalis of all the Recs 201i. 8s. 7d. Som totalis of paymte 21li. 13s. 71d. And for breade & wine due ooli. obs. 4d.

Remaynes due of this accompte to Willim Biller 1li. 11s. 41d.

[Churchwardens, Sidesmen, Collectors and Overseers appointed.]

Receaved of Richard Becke by the hande of Thomas Brooke for his fyne, for the web the pish hath acquited him of the office of Churchwarden for Ever the some of xxijs. vid.

[•] The first receipt for a wedding peal.

[1615 to 1616.]

Thomas Brookes and William Chamberlyn Churchwarde	ens.
Receaved for church work?	xlvs.
Receaved of Richard Becke	xxijs. vjd.
Receaved of Goodman Crayne for 4 years Rent of his	
house	xiijs. iiijd.
Receaved of Raphe Simson for an old beame	xvjs.
Receaved for the learexlvi	ij <i>l</i> i. xviijs. x <i>d</i> .
Item payd to Henry Parnell for 3 strikes of lyme & 3	
strikes & a halfe of sand	xxijd.
Item given to John Ward for his paines about the beame	,
in the Church	xij <i>d</i> .
Item paid to William Simson in ernest about the bargayne	xijd.
Item paid to William Simson	x <i>li</i> .
Item given to my Lord Candish his men & them that	
helped vpp wth the beame to drincke	ijs. vjd.
Item paid to Richard Brooke for xv daies worke	xvjs.
Item given to Mr. Paynter & the workemen in drincke	xijd.
Item paid for bringinge the leade to ye church	iiijs.
Item paid to William Simson for boarde & Tymber as	
appeareth by his bill	xxviijs. viijd.
Item payd for fetchinge stone in the Newarke	vj <i>d</i> .
Item paid to John Clarke for wrytinge the booke for the	
sessement twice	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd to Thoms Burstall for sawder and workeman-	
shipp about the battlemente	iijs. vjd.
Item paid for castinge of 86 hundred & 26 pound of leade	
fyndinge workmanshipp makinge the wast good & all	
Charge att 4s. 8d. the C	xxli. ijs. vjd.
Item paid for 8 hundred 3 qters & 13 pound of new leade	
att 2d. the pound is 8li. 9s. 6d. & delyvered to them ijo	
& a halfe & 101 of old leade att 3 ob the pound is 36s. 3d.	
resteth	vj <i>li.</i> xiijs. iij <i>d</i> .

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Item paid to Thomas Burstall for 20 score & 10 quarrels of glasse at 12d. 20s. 6d. & 32 pounde of leade att 2d. ob. 6s. 8d. and 8 pound of sawder att 10d. 6s. 8d
forth fyve yeares when he was Collector xxijs. xd. And so now dew to the pishiiijli.
[1616 to 1617.]
William Chamberlyn and John Norrice Churchwardens.
Item payde to John Linckforde for a booke of Cannons xviijd. Item payde to the Ringers at the Kinge Cominge to Leie ixs. [Monthly payments 2/8 to the Jailer for the prisoners.]
Item payde to Robte Ludlam for a boulte for the Clarke seat dore vjd. Item given to a poore man in his travill xijd. Item payd to John Glasier for mendinge of the windowes as appeareth by his bill xxxxx.
[1617 to 1618.]
John Norrice and John Wilcoxe Churchwardens.
Item Ree for a grave stone for Mr. Stafforde Watte carryed fourth of the church into the Library
Payment _C .
Item given to one Thomas Husband that had losse by ffyer to the value of 2001i

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Item payde more to old Myles for a Roope for the Tennorbell
woode ij. vjd. ob.
Item for mendinge of the seate where the Chamberlyns sitt viijd. Item payde for mendinge of the eye of the flourth bell
clap and for turning of it xxd.
Item payde to Edwarde Baggott for a new Baudricke for the flourth bell
M ⁴ it is fully Concluded att this Accompte that no grave stone shalbe removed in the Church to sett any man's name upon but ffirst they shall agree w th the Churchwardens for the same. And also that if the Seckerston shall Ringe at any tyme when any noble man cometh to the towne hee must have ijs. vjd. from the churchwardens if he have nothinge sent him from the Inn where they lye. And then also he shall not Ringe at any other tyme w th out the consente of the Churchwardens.
M^a it is agreed that the Seckerston shall have for his wages yearely hereafter the some of xxvjs. viijd.
[1618 to 1619.]
John Wilcoxe and Daniell Murffyn Churchwardens.
Receipts at fourteen Communionsiijli. vijs. vjd. Payments at fourteen Communionsiijli. xvijs. xjd. Fourteen receipts for Bells and Burials vli. viijs. including:—]
Item for the belle & buryall in the Church of Mr. Roberte Heyricke xijs.
Item for the belle for my Ladie Hastinge vs. iiijd.

Receaved of Mr. James Ellis web was given by his vncle towarde the Repacions of the church

liijs. iiijd.

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Receaved of Mrs. Elizabeth Heyricke widdow web was given by her late husbande towards the Repacions of the churchiii	i <i>l</i> :	
Received for the Rent of the house at the Canke Well		iiij <i>d</i> .
-	•	_
Receaved for Church works for this yeare	xlixs.	vja.
Item payde to the Ringers at the Earle of Huntingdon cominge to towne	ijs.	vj₫.
Item payde to Richarde Basford towards a dyall	XXS.	•
Item payde for Iron Worke for the same to Ludlam		vjd.
Item payde for a cradle for the beare	iijs.	٠,
- · ·	1133.	:: 2
Item given to a poore man that was hurte in the warrs		xijd.
Item paid for a service booke for Mr. Holmes	ixs.	
[1619 to 1620.]		
Daniell Murffyn and Samuell Webster Churchwardens.		
Ree for Church work	lvjs.	ij <i>d</i> .
Item payde to Richard Bradley for a Stopell for the ffaunte		ij d .
Item payde to Thomas Burstall for mendinge the ffaunte	iis.	iiij d .
Item payde to the glasiers for leade and workemanshipp	-301	,
aboute the leadyiii		
	<i>Ju</i> . vs.	-:
Item payde for an Hower glasse		xijd.
Item payde for a new bible	xls.	
Item payde to the sexton for Ringinge for the Lord		
Chamberlyne	ijs.	vjd.
Item this yeare Mrs. Alice Morton gave to the Church for one heare Coller velvett Cushen stuffed w th downe.	the p	ılpitt
[1630 to 1631.]		
Samuell Webster and Arthur Clarke Churchwardens.		
Item payde for swepinge of the Church Walls against the Earle of Huntingdon's Cominge theither	ijs.	vj <i>d</i> .

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Receaved of Thomas Chapman for his ffyne	XXS.
Ree of John Crane for the howse att the Cancke well	iijs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Receaved of Robert Stokes in respect of his weaknes for	•
his fyne beinge not able to serve	xs.

Given this yeare vnto the church by Mrs. Elizabeth Warde one silver and guilte Cupp wayinge eighte ounces one halfe ounce & halfe a quarter & delyvered to Mr. Arthur Clarke and Thomas Gilbert. Also delyvered the same daie into their hands the olde Communion Cupp wth the kever waighinge twentie and one ounces.

[1621 to 1622.]

Arthur Clarke and Thomas Gilbert Churchwardens.

Itm for the bells & burial of John Bierlye in the church. This charge is geven because he was Clarke. At the Visitation [paid] for the booke of Articles, and for regestringe the Christenings and the burialls and to the apparito^r iijs. iiijd. ffor our Dinners the same daie xiis. ffor Iohn Bierlyes grave laying downe with the lime and sande xvid. ffor our Dinners at the Visitation and one quart of Wine xis. To Moses Andrew for mendinge the cover of the Church yard yate and for a post iiis. iiiid. To ffrancis Palmer for diverse parcells of timber for the Comunion place xxviis. vid. ffor Iohn Cotes Richard Whittells appretises worke for 8 daies vjs. viijd. To Thomas Richard Smiths sonne for two daies worke ... xvid. ffor bread & ale amonge the workemen xviiid. To William Sheene for 36 foote of halfe inch boards for yº Comunion place iijs. iijd. To Mr. Holmes for registringe the names of all those that have bene baptised buried & maried in the parish this whole yeare iiiis.

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Itm for writinge it twise over in parchm ^t at Easter ffor ringeinge to praiers every Sabboth and Holie daie ffor Ringinge at the Earle of Huntingdon Cominge to the	ijs. vj <i>d</i> . iijs.	
towne	xviij d .	
[1622 to 1623.]		
Thomas Gilbert and Richard Inge Churchwardens.		
Paymente.		
To Robert Ludlam for iron worke about the Chancell wth		
a hanginge locke To Kirke for 50 yards of mattinge about the Comunion	iijs. viijd.	
place	xxvs.	
for 2 Hookes for the Chancell dore	iij <i>d.</i> ijs.	
To Richard Bradlie for makinge and mendinge seates, for 2 new seates conteyninge 24 ^{tie} yards of seelenige at	*,1**	
2s. vjd. the yarde	iij <i>li</i> .	
for the vpper posts more then the seelinge contayning		
2 foote and for turninge them	2s. 8d.	
in the Comunion place wth other worke	iij s.	
seelinge	xxijd.	
Item for mendinge the seate bottoms in the Comunion	,	
place wth the benches	iijs. ijd.	
ffor makinge and mendinge the partition in the for seate	• •	
where the women sitt	vj <i>d</i> . x x d.	
for mendinge the seate below the churchwardens seate	xxa. xd.	
for planckes for the Churchwardens seate and the seate by		
the ffont	iiijs. ijd.	

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To Lewys for keepinge the Clocke xxiiijs.

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vis.

iijs. iiijd.

liiiis. ixd.

vis. vid.

xviiid.

xvid.

To Hummer & Steeples for makinge the scaffold and strikeinge downe the plaister wth the Sexton's helpe for charges of the seates where the 48 sitt for 14 vards & dimed an halfe of seelinge at ijs. vid. the yarde xxxvis. iiid, for timber.

Extraordinarye iiis. iiiid. for turninge the posts xxd. for ynch boords & sleepers for the seats & settles viijs. xd. for bottominge the' and makinge the partitions wth other worke iiiis. viiid. the whole some is for mattinge the seates vs. and for 2 paire of limmers

xviiid. for 2 halfe vnch boords one for Mr. Teringham's seate one for the chancell

for charges to doctor Lambe and at London about the great seate iijli.

> The whole some of Receipte for the Bells and Burials the yeare abouesaide viili. xvis. viid. Itm the whole some of Recepte for bread and wine iijli. vijs. xd. Itm received for the Leave or Cessment xili. 5d.

> The whole some..... xxijli. viijs. The whole Som of paymte lxixli. xiijs. iiijd. Remayneth due to Thomas Gilbert xlvijli.

December 6, 1622.

Memorandu' That it is bargained & agreed vpon betweene Thomas Chapman and the parish of St. Martins That in consideration of his takinge Agnes Duglas to be his apprentise for eight years, the saide parish shall give him fowre pounds, y' is to saye xxs. in hand the day and yeare aboue written: xxs the next Easter followinge vpon the

Church Account daie being Tuesdaie in Easter Week and the rest to be paied in like maner every yeare till the iiijli. be come vp.

[1623 to 1624.]

Richard Inge and John Somerfeild Churchwardens.

[Seventeen Receipts for Bells and	Burial	s incl	uding:-	_	
Rd for the bells & buriall of Mr. John Her [Five receipts for gravestones sold, 3 at 22s.				•	.]
Rd for churchworks			i	j <i>li</i> . xjs.	
Rd of John Crane for his howse [at Cank					iiij d .
Rd more of the tax weh was mad the 7 of	_			•	•
repair of the church Mr. Gilbert being of	•	-		5 <i>li</i> . iijs.	•
Pd for o' Dyners at the Visitation being 9 wine 4s.				xiijs.	
Pd 5 Ringers for Ringing at the Prince h				•	vid.
Pd for a bush for the 4 bell					vjd.
Pd Ringers for Ringing for ye Judg					xijd.
Pd Tho. Palmer for the Comon well					iiij d .
		•••••	•••••		,
The wholl som of payments for the					
Church this yeir is	xlli.	ixs.	iij <i>d</i> .		
layd out more for bread & wyne more			•		
then was recd	О	vjs.	jd.		
Payd Mr. Gilbert the last Churchwarden		•	-		
•	47li.	iiijs.	vjd.		
The wholl som of paymente for this	••	•	•		
yeir is	58li.	IQS.	ıod.		
The wholl som of Rec for this yeir is	-	_			
So ther remaineth dew to me	_	vijs.			
Received of Mr. Bolyvant [Town Clerk]			•		
for ffynes taken of Victuallers in Mr.					
•					

Hinde Maioralty the som of iijli. iiijs. ijd.

Som is iiili. vis. xd.

woh sayd some of three pounds six shillings ten pence was disposed of and distributed as appeareth.

An accompt of the mony w^{ch} came to the parish for ffines taken of Victuallers for breaking the Assise as also ffines taken of Drunkards Disposed of as ffolloweth.

[Here follows a list of 83 recipients many of them widows—the sums varying from 4d. to 18d.]

Som is iijli. vjs. xd. the 30th die of March 1624.

It is agreed at a meeting this day that hear after noe Church officer shall be previliged of any taxes or payments for the church or bells or any other payments for the church by and in respect of ther offices.

[Nicholas Singleton undertakes to keep a child named Francis Duglas "wth meate drink and cloathes for four years" for £4. 10s. od.]

[1624 to 1625.]

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Paid for x p	daies for master men & 8 pins for wooden Baldrige cowell for the Comunion of aginge when the Lord C	whereof 5 are yett leftable	t xij <i>d.</i> . xiiij <i>d</i> .
	nginge when the french		• •
the town	e		. ijs. vjd.
	Gudgion for the great Be ne & suger given Mr. Ru	-	. iiijs. ijd.
church	prasse for the great bell w		. xx <i>d</i> .
	yinge a deske in greene		. xiijs. vj d. F
	n		. xij <i>d</i> .
	igers for Ringinge at th		
	e the Kinge		
Pd 4 Ringe	rs for there yearlie Wage	es	. xxs.
	nole Some off the payment or the seates in the be		iiij d. ob.
	eth 40 severall people the		id.
	hole some of the Receate		
	re Remayneth dew to Joh	•	•
			vj d. ob.
taken of	James Ellis maior for f Victuallers for his yeare i e some of	n his	
-	Ellis more that he too	• • •	·•
	sweringe		'.
	into the poore man's be	•	
Reg more	of Mr. Ellis that he tool	k for	
•	en to our poor in bread.	ijs.	
J	•		•

And the some of 3li. 13s. 8d. was disposed & distributed as here appereth

Pd to Mr. Bullevant by Mr. Maiors desire for to carye Edwyn's daughter to lon-		
don	vs.	
Pd to Nicklis Shipley for the kepeing of		
Harrye Duglis from the 24th of februarie		
1624 vntil Easter come twelve moneth		
and apparellinge of him vntil then &		
at that tyme the some of	xxixs.	iiijd.
[To the same for "kepeing of francis Duglis"]	xxiijs.	iiijd.
Pd to Widdow Bradshaw towards the		
Releive of hir selfe & hir sonne	xs.	
given to the Sextton lyeinge verye weake		xijd.
given to Richard fuker (?) lyeinge verye		
sicke at 3 severall tymes	iijs.	
given to old widdow walker lyeinge sicke	ijs.	
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Some is iijli. xiijs. viijd.

[1625 to 1626.]

William Twigden & William Henshaw Churchwardens.

[Fourteen receipts and payments at Holy Communions and seventeen receipts for Bells and Burials including:—]

Re& for the bells & buryall of Mr. Thomas Herryck	xxiiijs.		•	
Pd to 5 Ringers for Ringinge when the Earle of Huntingdon came to the Sessions in aprill 1625	ijs.	•	vjd.	

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Pd to the	Ringers for Ringinge 3 dayes when the Earle
came to	o the Chusinge of the Knights for the shire ijs.
Pd for po	wther & shott to kill starlings in the Church i
	parrator for summoninge us to appere before the
	er vi
	bookes that concerned the fastijs. vi
	e pareter for bringinge a letter from the lord
_	concerninge the plagge [flague]
	Sexston for tolinge the bell about a seasement
-	Is qt di q ^r of Holeand for a surplice at 3s. 7dxxxvijs. i akinge it & thrid & washing itvs.
	Ringe it & thrid & washing it
_	Ringers for Ringeing when the lord Hastings laye
	owneijs.
Pd for the	e charges of the dyall repayreinge xiijs. ii
[Fine	es received from Victuallers and swearers and distributed as before.]
The mon	ney colleckted in this Church sundry
Dayes	for sundry poore peopli is 29 15 6
The mone	ey beeing pd to them given vppon the
fast day	yes was 21 9 7 ob.
w ^{ch} was p	ol to Mr. Maior for the buyinge of corne for the poore.
	p. me William Twigd
	per me William Hensh
[1626 to 1	1627.]
	Richard Ludlam and John Whatton Churchwardens.
	[Twenty three receipts for Bells and Burials including:—]
	• •
Itm for th	w bella & buriall of Mrs. Elizabeth Hericke xijs.
Itm for th Itin for th	• •

Itm ree more for the Tax made the 28 of aprell 1626 xvi	ij <i>li</i> . ijs.	vjd.
Itm received for Church worke	xlixs.	ixd.
Payments.		
Itm for a Comunion booke	ixs.	
It a for mingings at the Torle of Dovenships compings to		

Itm for a Comunion booke	ixs.	
Itm for ringinge at the Earle of Devonshire comeinge to the Abbey	ijs.	vjd.
Itm for ringinge for the Judges		xijd.
Itm for 2 bookes for the fast	X.	viijd.
Itm for a paire of Jemmens for the sargeante seate dore	x	viijd.
Itm to Ley of Lutterworth for mendinge the Chime being		
broken and out of order and for two to helpe him sent		
for of purpose	xiijs.	4 <i>d</i> .
Itm for a chaine for the booke of Martyrs and another		
booke		vjd.
Itm to 5 ringers for ringinge at the Countesse of Hunting-		
dons being at the Angell* at Cristmas	ijs.	vjd.
Itm to the Ringers for ringinge for the Earle of Devonshire		
& the Chancelo' being at the Abbey	ijs.	vjd.
Itm to two men towards their releife and 100 others weh had		
losse by sea sent to vs by Mr. Mayor that they might not		
gather in the towne	ijs.	

Receved from the old churchwardens ffirst 3 cushions, Itm 3 pewter fflagons Itm 2 silver and gilt bowles & one silver cover. One Surplice, one Table cloth for the Comunion wth a towell. One Houreglasse One Carpett Cloth.

It is agreed that Edmund Coop for payeinge xxs. is to serve but one yeare churchwarden & that is this yeare 1627.

[1627.]

Memoranda' That Alice Chettell widdow of this parish of St. Martins did by her deed of ffeoffment dated the xiijth daie of August in the

[•] The principal Inn in Leicester.

xxxvijth yeare of the gracious Raigne of Queene Elisabeth of famous memorye infeoffe Robt Heyricke of Lei& Ironmonger Raphe Chettle of Leicester Baker, Thomas Sacheverell Clerke, Nathaniell Sampson Clerk, John Mabbes Inholder, Thomas Manbie Mercer, George Brookes Ironmonger, & John Bugge Shoomaker, into a certaine Close of the parish of St. Margaret? the rent thereof to be bestowed vpon charitable vses after the decease of the saide Alice, viz. as hereafter followeth.

Memorandu' That Alice Chettle Widdow doth request those psons to whom by the deed of feoffem¹ shee hath passed her estate, right, & interest in a certaine close in St. Margarette parish in Leicester, we shee purchased of John Mattes, & which was then in the tenure & occupacon of the saide John, that sufferinge her the said Alice to enioye the rent of it duringe her life, they will after her deceasse see the whole rent & profit of the saide close bestowed vpon the poor from time to time for ever, in maner & forme followinge, y is to say two shillings Everie yeare vpon the twelve poore women of the Hospitall of William Wigston & the rest web shall remayne of so much as may be yearlie raysed out of the saide Close, vpon the poore of St. Martins paresh in Leicester such as are honest & have most neede.

Wittnesses

Thomas Holmes. Michaell Rudinge. Iohn Letherland.

Now whereas all the forsaide ffeoffees are dead but one viz: George Brookes he hath appointed others and given them possession y^t is Richard Inge of Leiê, in the Countie of Leiê M'chant of the Staple, Richard Ludlam Chandler, Iohn Whatton Ironmonger, W^m Hunt Draper, W^m Warde Mercer, W^m Stanlye Mercer, W^m Rayner Draper, Alexander Baker Mercer, Philip Cowper Ironmonger, George Sutton Mercer, Edward Cradock Mercer, George Marten Draper. This deed of George Brookes beareth date the ixth day of Aprill in the 3 yeare of the Raigne of King Charles: All w^{ch} deeds lye together in the long chist in the church.

xd.

This saide peece of ground was leased by the former feofees to one Clyghe for 16s. a yeare woh lease is yet in beeinge vntill our ladye day in lent 1638 & is now in the possession of one Richard Deacon Chandler.

Memorandu' That ffrancis ffrith in the County of Lei& yeoman hath vndertaken to keepe & mainteyne Marie Smith the Child of W^m Smith of this parish of St. Martins for twelve yeares beginninge the xth of December 1627 for w^{oh} consideracon he is to have five pounds paied by the overseers of the poore: viz. xxs. paied in hand and the other 4li. by xxs. yearlie y^t is the xth of December 1628 xxs. & so yearlie, ffor the pformance whereof the saide ffrancis ffrith hath given his bonde of xli. w^{oh} bonde likewise remayneth in the Chist.

Memorandu' That Richard Kitchin and John Woode stande bounde in xxli. to discharge the Parish of St. Martins of a bastard child from all charges for xiiij yeares next to come: weh bonde also remaineth in the chist abovesaide.

[1627 to 1628.]

Edmond Cowper and Thomas Palmer Churchwardens.

[Fifteen receipts for Bells and Burials including: -]

Ree of Mr. James Andrew for the bells & buriall of his

were about the tune for yo chime

father and a grave stone	xxxijs.	
Ree of Mr. John Hericke for the bells & buriall of his		
daughter Marie Hericke	xijs.	
Received of the tax & Ceassment yt was made for the		
payinge of the last Churchwardens	vj <i>l</i> i. xvs.	4d.
Re& for the churchworke this yeare	liijs.	xd.
Payments.		
Laied out when Mr. Davie, Mr. Norris & Mr. Speechlie		

[John Cockle is now sexton.]

To Edmond Cowper for 4 yards the quarter & halfe quarter of broad cloth at xijs, vjd. y* yarde for a carpen cloth		
for the Committee table	hiijs.	zd.
for fringe and sike	mvijs.	iij⊌.
for makinge of the Com: Carpett cloth		xijd.
To Robert Burstall for bossinge the great bell clapper	vjs.	
To Thomas Sheene for banisters settinge vpon y seates	XS.	
Paide to Richard Bradiye and Robt Bradshawe for a new		
cover for the pullpit & the coveringe it	xxjs.	vjd.
for gilding & triffinge of Mr. Mayors seate	xvjs.	
for a pulpitt Cloth of velvet and a cushion of the samexvji	i. zviijs.	viij∕.
fier ringeinge ye date the Kinge was polaimed	iijs.	iiij∕.
To Edmond Cooper for two yards of greene cotton at xvid.		
the yarde for a case for the velvet cushion	ijs.	viij <i>i</i> .
To John Worthington Apparitor for two bookes about the	•	•
fzs:	ijs.	

The said sumes of money are allowed to the aforesaid Churchwardens except xviii. xviiii. viiiii. which is disallowed for the pulpit cloth of velvet and a cushion of the same; and also iii. viiiii. which is disallowed for two yards of greene Cotton for a case for the velvet cushion: and also iiii. which is disallowed to be laid forth for y dinners of the said churchwardens when they gave up their bills.

[This is signed by 18 parishioners—a most unusual occurrence—shewing that an "indignation meeting" was held that who could not write made their marks.]

[1525:0:529.]

William Ward and Thomas Pilkington Churchu ardens.

[Fourteen receipts for Bells and Burials including:-]

Rd of S' Wm. Hericke for the belles and buriall his daugh: xiijs.

Receved for Church workes this yearijli. xs. vjd.

[1629-30.]	of Saint	Martin's, Leicester.		177
		Payments.		
		ood and Iron pinesto Mr. Pestill and the Scol		xd.
masteres* by Mr.	•	l Mr. Gillots appoyntment. harged again this year.]	vijs.	vj <i>d</i> .
		o Ric. Bradley		
		brought for the navie going	-	
		h. T. Disabas t		iiij <i>d</i> .
~		he L. Bisshop came here depallter 4d	-	iiijd.
I d for 2 bookes for	the last an	u panter 40	133.	mja.
[1629 to 1630.]				
William	Ward and	William Standley Churchward	dens.	
Re& for Church wo	rkee		ij <i>li</i> , xs.	
		2 nd 1629		. 4d.
Pd for our Diners	att the Vi	ssitasion with other charg	res	
		being with Child		iiijd.
		he L bisshop of yorke	-	xijd.
Pd for ringin for th	ne Countis (Coming to the abye in Ju	ne ijs.	vjd.
Pd for ringing for	the erle of	Exseter	js.	,
Pd for ringing for	the Genern	er of Scotland	js.	,
Pd for ringing att	the Coming	of the Erle to dwell in t	on ijs.	vjd.
Pd to Cockell for t	throwing do	wne the snowe	•••	iij <i>d</i>
Pd for bred and be	ere to make	the Carters drinke	vs.	,
Pd in earnest of h	is timber	•••••••	ijs.	. vj <i>d</i> .
	-	Shilton and for providing		
		aner	•	,
Pd to Wm. Wallis	s about byi	ng the timber and making	g it	
reddie for the C	artes	••••••	xiiijs.	
Pd for ringing for Pd for ringing att Pd to Cockell for t Pd for bred and be Pd in earnest of h Pd to Cockell for Cartes & for wor Pd to Wm. Wallis	the General the Coming throwing do ere to make is timber going to S rk att beam s about by	er of Scotland of the Erle to dwell in the towne the snowe the Carters drinke the timber and making the timber and making	js. con ijs vs ijs. of iijs. g it	vj iij vj

[•] Probably candidate for the office of John Angel appears to have obtained that master of the Free Grammar School: Mr. appointment about this time.

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- - :				
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of Samer for the like	111			
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Mr. Goodfellow for the Like.	Ξ			
Their Research for the like	-5			
Thomas Weight for the like	ir.			
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Ri if Mr. Henshaw ii be green in bred being	E .	Tall	-	
Ri if Mr. Henshaw ii be green in bred being	E .		-	
Ri if Mr. Henshaw ii be green in bred being	E .		-	
ki dili Herika ni da gran miral dang Tian	E .		-	
Richi Manahawan da green in ded deing Than This money disposed of green of Scott day	E		-	
Richi Manahawan da green in ded deing Than This money disposed of green of Scott day	E E E E		-	
Ed of Monthemater is the given in their being. Then is money disposed of given of Stuff day. Here of Stuff day.	E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E		-	
Rid of Mr. Henshaw in he given in head being. Chain This money disposed of given of Sciole day, given of Sciole day. given awaye in head. given on Mr. Chembe at he have given given	E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E	Ξ .	-	
Ed of Mr. Henshaw is be green in heal being. Chain This money disposed of given of School day, given of School day, given aways in bred. given to Mr. Chemie up & now given given given to No. Chemie up & now given given given to No. Chemie up & now given given to No. Chemie up & no.	E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E	Ξ .	- : -	
Ed of Mr. Henshaw is be given in heal being. Chain This money disposed of given of 50 to 6 day given aways in head given to Mr. Chemie as denow given you	E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E E	Ξ .	- : -	
Ed of Mr. Henshaw to be given in bred being. Chain This money disposed of given of 50 to 6 day given avaite in bred given to Mr. Chemie at hints given you given to Mr. Shown in the charth yard being side.	English Tips	Ξ .		
Ed of Mr. Henshaw in he given in heal being. This money disposed of given of house day, given of house direct any given away and bred given to Mr. Themse will have given go given to Mr. Themse wife by Mr. Mayors apoly a control house in the church yard being sinks given to house in the church yard being sinks given to housepholes. Engleton his wife being	Equipment of the second of the	Z .	-	
Ed of Mr. Henshaw in he given in heal being. This money disposed of given of house day, given of house day, and house given go given to Mr. Themse up house given go given to Mr. Themse up house how given go given to Mr. Drownes wife by Mr. Mayors apply to house in the church yard being side given to house in the church yard being side given to house house Engletin his wife being side.	Equipment of the second of the	17.6 17.6 17.6	-	

given to dall Hawes & his sister being sicke given to good wife Hall & others given to a stranger by Mr. Mayor appoyntmen given to the poore by Mr. Mayores appoyntmen given awaye divers other somes as apears by note	t t xl	ijs. lvs.	v vii	-			
[Other payments to a man and his wife with six child ren, to a man who had lost £500 by a fire, and t an Irishman with nine children, in all 8s.]	0	0	8	0			
		9	3				
[Total Payments this year Total Receipts this year			1				
Due to Churchwardens		5	I]			
[Wm. Stanley paid a fine of 30s. to be relieve churchwarden; and Wm. Hunt, Draper, also paiserve. The parish then owed £19 for timber bought	d a	sin	ila	r fi	ne ro	ather	than
[1630 to 1631.]							
John ffowleger and Alexander Baker (Chur	chu	ara	lens	•		
[Fifteen receipts at Holy Communioniiij. Payments for Bread and Wine	li. x	iijs.	i	-]		
Receved of a tax made the xxviijth day of June Rd of a tax made the 16th day of March 1630 Rd at Ester of Willim Ward that was taken		••••		XX:	x <i>li</i> . i	iijs.	vjd. vjd.

paid for not being Churchwardensiijli. Rd of William Stanley part of a tax that was made in there time xli.

Paid for a load of Lyme

of Saint Martin's. Leicester.

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xs. vjd.

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Paid for a lo	ad of Sand	xviij <i>d</i> .
	ad of licor to brew the malt with	ij <i>d</i> .
Paid for Calf	fes Leather peeces to make the size wth	ijs. xd.
Paid for iij s	trike & a peck of smethycom	iijs. iij <i>d</i> .
Paid for Egg	gs	iiijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Paid for woo	od for the seethinge of the size & wood for the of the malt	ijs.
-	ade & beere when the staple was cast into the	.,,,,
	& for the workemen about the steple	xiiij <i>d</i> .
	vse of too pans to boyle the size in & to brew	
	for the vse of Coulies & Peales	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Paid to Tho.	. Palmer for the vse of the Church well	viij <i>d</i> .
	Watts for the Castinge of the staple in the 1i	ili. xs.
•	nony Curtes for ij Hoopes wth Doble gemers &	,
	ggs of Iron for the steeple topp weaghinge 65li.	xxjs. viijd.
Paid for ij I	ron wedges for the steple top	xijd.
Paid for Drav	winge the greate Bell Claper smaller & makinge	
of it fit for	r the greate Bell	xijd.
Paid for an l	Iron screw pin	iij <i>d</i> .
The to	otall som Laide forth for the Church	
this	yearecix <i>li</i> . iijs	. ij <i>d</i> .
Theto	otall som of the receates this yeare iscxli. xviijs.	. $vijd$.
Soe the	he remeaneth Dew of this accompt	
to t	he pish xxxvs.	vd.
[1631 to 1632	2.]	
	Alexander Baker Churchwarden.	
[Morris M	arson was chosen second Churchwarden at the settleme	ent of the last
-	s name is not given here.]	-
	[Thirteen receipts for Bells & Burials including:—]	
Rd for the B	Bells for Mr. Thomas Heyrick	vs. iiijd.

Paid to Hastwell the remainder of his bargaine for poynting the steeple	ii <i>li</i> .
Paid to Sheplees for a wodden Bawdrick for the great Bell	vjd.
Paid to Hastwell by the appoyntment of Mr. Gillott Mr.	·
Heyricke & Mr. Churchman more than was his bargain	xxs.
Paid to Moses for makinge of a dore where the scollers sit	viijd.
Paid to John flouleger for 28 foote of bord for makinge of	
a dore for the scollers seates & for mending of bell wheile	ijs. iiijd.

It agreed at this meeting by the parisheners that the Bells shall bee* runge bytwixt nine of the Clock & fore of the Clock in the night if they be runge the Sexton shall forfeite his quarters wages.

Memorandu' that there is a bond in the churchwardens hand w^{ch} is to bee left in the chest for the Church goods, a bond from John Wood vittuler for the payement of three pounds to the parish after his decease.

[1632 to 1633.]

George Martin and Edmund Cradocke Churchwardens.

[Twenty receipts for Bells & Burials including :-]

[1 willy receipes for Bells & Burtues incomming]		
Receaved for Bells for the Lady Cave		iiijd. viijd.
Pd for a key for the poore manes box		xd.
[Ringing at Assizes, for the Countess of Devonshire.]		
Pd Cockle for his whole yeares wages	vijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
4s. 7ijli.	о.	ij <i>d</i> .
Pd for making of yt	vs.	0.

[•] So in original, but clearly the word "not" is omitted.

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	Iomes for keeping the regester booke the whole [An annual charge for many years past.]	iiijs.
[" <i>Ti</i>	he Lady Billeres" & "Mr. Rydeinges" each paid 5/- for	a seat.]
The 2	4 th Day of March An° Dni 1633.	
Martins i	That the day and yeare first aboue written the pish n Leig: haveing beene lawfully sumond to meete a hen agreed that the Lord Keepers propositions write according to ———————————————————————————————————	t the church s should be
[1633 to	1634.]	
i	Edmund Cradocke and Nathanyell Churchman Churchwar	dens.
	ve receipts at Holy Communion iijli. xs. xjd. o nts for bread & wine iiijli. xviijs. vijd.]	b. qr.
	ceived] for the Bells & Buryall in the church of eyricke	xijs.
	Payments.	
this ye	to Cockell for maynteyneing the Bells wth rope are	xxjs.
about	the Lybrarye	vj <i>d</i> .
-		xviij <i>d</i> .
	to one Mr. Newton a qrt of sacke	xiiij <i>d</i> .
in the	to Thomas Sheene for takeing downe the Seates Chauncell	ijs. ix <i>d</i> .
itm give	Mr. Burdyn when he came to veiw the Chauncell	

a pottell of sack.....

ijs. iiijd.

Itm pd for Mr. Newton of Northampton his charges in comeing to the towne	xiijs. viijd.
Chauncell	vs. vjd.
Itm pd to a messenger that was sent to Mr. Burdyn	xijd.
Item given to Mr. Goodman a quart of sacke	xiiijd.
Itm pd the well reeve for 4 quarters	xvjd.
Item given Mr. Hall towards his charges in comeing	
to vs	vjs. viijd.
Item paid Mr. Martyn for drawinge a peticon to the Lord	
Keeper	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item paid for my Chardges spent in my first iourney to	
London & moneyes given away to officers	xxxviijs. vjd.
Item paid for horse hyre	xiijs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Itm for my charges spent the second tyme in goeing to	
London & money given away	ls. vjd.
Itm paid for horse hyre	xijs.
Item given to Mr. Chapman for his Councell	xs.
Itm pd for a Copie of a sequestracon fro' my Lords grace of Canterbury & other copyes wth the apparrators ffees	
& other charges	vjs. ij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd for my charges spent in my third Journey in goeing	
to London & given away	xxixs. vjd.
Item paid for my horse hyre	xijs.
Itm given to Mr. Burrowes & Mr. Warde iij pints of Sacke	
when they admynestered the Communyon	xxjd.
Itm given Mr. Jones a quart of Sack Meh ij	xiiijd.
Itm given him another quart of Sack march ix	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Itm given Mr. Morton a quart of sack meh xvjth	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Itm pd Mr. Whitehead for draweing a peticon to the Lord	•
Keeper	iijs. iiijd.
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[1634 to 1635.]

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Nathanyell Churchman and Robert Browne Churchwardens.

Payments.

•	
Payd for a horse hyre to Bugden & a man's charges thith'	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd the apparator for summoninge vs severall tymes to	
appeare at the Court about the Com place	xviij <i>d</i> .
Given vnto Mr. Baylie at the same tyme a quart of wyne	xij <i>d</i> .
Payd to Mr. Baylie for wryteing out the Regester booke	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Payd Mr. Leake for allowinge of the Regester	xij <i>d</i> .
Payd the apparator same tyme & spent of them	xijd.
Paid for a Box to putt our wryteing yn	xijd.
Payd for allowance in iij peeces of gold ree by Leare	viij <i>d</i> .
Payd the Well reeves for the well at towne Hall	xvj d .
Payd Edm. Cradocke [Churchwarden of the previous year] for	
his charges beeing excom about the buyeing of a Surpliss	vijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Payd Thomas Ludlam & Willim Stretton for the whiteing	
of the church and porchesiij	li. xviijs.
Paid Rich. Beresford & Harryson for paynting the Kings	
Armes the porches & all the pillarsiij	li. vijs. ijd.
Paid Robt Ludlam for a key for the dore over the porch	xijd.
Paid for ij gallons of wyne & ijli. of suger wth was given to	
Mr. doctor Lamb	xs. viij <i>d</i> .
Paid for a pottell of whyte wyne & Dli. suger more	ijs. ij <i>d</i> .
Paid the apparitor for ffees viijd. & for dismission viijd	xvj <i>d</i> .
Paid for my dismission ffees about buyeing the surplisse	vs.
Pd for a booke of Artycles	xij d .
Pd Moses Andrew & his man for takeing awaye the two	
rowes of Seats in the Church against the Kings comeing	iiijs.

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Pd Withm Read for helping to cleanse the Church	viij <i>d</i> .
Pd for ij lodes of Rushes & moweing of them against the Kings maties Comeinge	xxd.
Pd for the Caryage of these ij lodes of Rushes	iijs.
Pd Cockle for v dayes worke at the same tyme	iijs.
Paid more for bowes & rushes vsed about the Church	xixd.
Pd for a Comon Prayer booke to goody Langford	ixs.
Paid Tho. Sheene & Moses Andrew for takeing awaye the	ins.
maior brethren seates against the King matter Comeinge	ijs. vjd.
Pd the Kings Officer for fees for the ffloare where his	2,50
maiestie satt	iiijs.
Pd the ringers beeing viij for the tyme that his maiestie	,
stayed in Lei8	xvs.
Pd for Candles the same tyme	ijs.
Pd Edm. Cradock for ix ells @ d of Holland att iiijs. viijd.	
the Ell	xliiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Pd goody Cooke for makeing the Surplisse	vs.
Pd for flowers for the Kings Cushion	iij d. (?)
Pd Anthony Gilbert for waste of his poles	vj <i>d</i> .
Pd Moses & Cockle for fetching formes to sitt on	iiij <i>d</i> .
Pd Rowell for paveing the little alley	vj <i>d</i> .
Pd Tho. Sheene for setting downe Mr. Maiors brethren	
seates & nayles	xijs.
Pd Robt Blount for stuff to make a hood for Mr. Angell	
against my lord Archbishop's Visitacon & the making of	
ytt	xxs.
Pd Robt Blount iij yards green seay for the Maiors	. ,
brethren seates	vs. vjd.
Pd the ringers for ringing against the Archbishops vysitors	::: 1
came to visit	ijs. vj <i>d.</i>
Payd for all our Dynners att the Archbishop's Visitacon and for ffees in the Courte	xxvjs. viijd.
Paid A Reaver for Tyles to pave the great Ally; 2 red	AAVJS. VIIJU.
Laid II Iteavel for Tyles to pave the great Mily, 2 led	xxviijs. xjd.

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At a meetinge of the pshioners of St. Martins Leie the 21 of December 1635.

It was agreed that the churchwardens for the time beinge for ever hereafter dureing the residency of Mr. Walter Wattkin now Vickar of the s'de pishe & tow others of the s'de pishe joyned with them at there nominacon whereof one of them to be of the foure & twenty & the other of the Company of the Eaght & fforty shall taxe and raise by way of loane the sume of Twenty pounds to be payd by five pounds a quarter vnto the s'de vickar and soe to take an accquitanc for every severall payment in wittness whereof we have sett our hands.

[A fterwards confirmed and signed by seven parishioners.]

[1636 to 1637.]

Danyell Dekon & John Lander Churchwardens.

[Abstract only.]

[1637 to 1638.]

John Launder and John Clay Churchwardens.

[Abstract only.]

Payments for the Church allowed at this preent	li.	s.	d.
meeting aprill 17th 1638	38	12	8
Receipts for the whole yeare & for a tax bells	li.	s.	d.
burialls and Church workes	30	16	7
Remayneing due to John Launder the day	li.	s.	d.
abovesaid	7	16	1

[1638 to 1639.]

John Clay and Thomas Stringer Churchwardens.

Payments.

Paid to Mr. Walter Watkin due to him from the parish at			
his goeing away*	5	4	10
Pd to Read and Cockle for caryinge away the railes & furmes			
& placeing them evie sabbath day a whole yeare	0	6	o
Pd to Robert Gilliote for writing to the Lord Keeper in			
behalfe of the parish for a Viccar	0	0	10
gave to Mr. Recorders man in consideracon of his masters			
paines to the Lo Keeper aboute the Viccar	0	2	6
Pd for bread & beere at the Perambulacon	o	3	6
Pd for poynts & ribbons given to children the same tyme	О	3	0
Pd for Rushes for the church at Whitsontide	0	3	0
gave to the officers in the Court June the 19 being summoned			
to take downe the seates	o	2	5
Pd to John Allen for a booke of Comon prayer	0	9	0
Paid to Moses Andrew for keeping the dore at the Aldermens			
seats at both the Assizes	0	I	0
Payd for a quart of wine & biskett to or viccar at his			
comeing [Rev. Thos. White.]	ο	I	6
Gave to Mr. Lins a quart of wine when we went a pambula?	О	I	4
More wine given to Mr. Coker when S' John Lambe Came			
to view o' Church by the direction of Mr. Ive		3	4
Pd more in expences being summoned to meet S' John			
Lambe aboute our seats takeing downe	ο	I	o
Payd to Robert Couldwell for takeing of part of the seats at			
the Chanchell gates & other worke in ye church	0	6	6
Paid to Robert Couldwell for a gathering Box	ο	I	6

[•] He was Vicar and quickly resigned.

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Payd to Thomas Redlye for a stander to sett the dish on at			
the Communion	0	3	0
Paid for sweete wood to burne in the church	0	0	6
Payd to William Steeple for mending the Bush of one of the			
Bells	0	o	6
Payd to William Cave for 5 matts to Ringe on and 2 longe			
matts more	0	4	10
gave to the apparratour for a proclamation that was published			_
in ovr Church	0	0	6
Gave to Mr. Halliburton a Minister whoe came to this towne	_	_	_
and here dyed	0	2	Ó
Gave to Widdow Cattell of Stapleford by the directon of Mr.	_	_	_
Angel and Mr. White haveing lres of request	0	2	0
[Various gifts to the poor; several having "letters of request" or "letter	s to f	bass	."]
Payd to Thomas Redley for mending the Benches in the ould			
Communion place	0	О	6
Payd to William Heggs for nailes and a red skin to cover the			
gathering box	0	I	9
Payd to John Launder for a dish for the offeringes at the			-
Communion	0	3	4
Memorandu' that vpon the one and thirtith day of May 1639 William Knowles was chosen Sexston of the parish of S	t. M	arti	ins
according to the Antient Custome of the said parish by the moof the parish aforesaid.	ost v	oyo	ces
[1639 to 1640.]			
Thomas Stringer and Authors Cilhart Chamber and			
Thomas Stringer and Anthony Gilbert Churchwardens.			
Rec ^d for the Bells for M ^{ria} Heyrick widowe	o	12	0
Received for Church workes	2	13	4
Received by a Tax	8	7	2

Payments.

- ay			
Pd to Steeple for ringing Bowbell when Cockle lay sicke			6
Pd to Moses for looking to yo Church when Cockle lay sick	0	2	0
[Ringing for Countess of Devon, at the Assizes, the Earl of H on 5th of Novr.]	unt	ingdo	on,
Pd to Moses Andrew for warning the parish to come together			
at the chusing the Sexton	0	0	6
Pd to Knowles for rushes for the church at Whitsontide	0	2	0
given to the Ringers when peace was concluded in Scotland	0	2	0
Pd to Moses Andrew for mending y seats in the old Chanchell	ο	1	4
Pd in money and in charges to Bates	ο	12	0
given to the ringers to ring when Bates was here	0	0	6
given to Bates in money & expence when he veiwed the frame	0	12	0
given to the ringers when the Knights of the sheire where			
chosen		3	6
[Gifts to poor travellers, Irishmen & others.]			
Pd to Bates as appeareth by his bill	0	17	0
laid out for Cockle when he Dyed	0	•	o
[1640 to 1641.]			
Anthony Gilbert and Alexander Inge Churchwardens.			
Received for Church workes the summe of	2	7	4
Received for Rent	o	3	4
Received by a tax the sume of	25	19	7
Received of Thomas Langton felmonger for			
swearing 0 I O			
Received of Mr. Barnes p. Mr. Ed. Billers o 3 o			
Ref of Clement Cooke of Gadsby for swearing o 1 o			
Ree of John Baker, gardiner, for swearing o 1 o			

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Received by a	rent	o 34	3 16	4 2					
of Received for s	5	0	0						
Payments.									
Pd to Bates to	owards the new frame for the bells	35	o	o					
Pd to Mr. We	elding for drawing the Articles and bonds	0	5	0					
Pd Stephen L	o	I	6						
Pd for expend	0	4	9						
Pd for ringing	ο	2	6						
given to 2 sou	0	0	8						
	e and Cartwright for 12 new seatsam & Motley for 12 paire of hinges for y	8	11	0					
	Pilkington for a new flagon and changing an old	0	9	0					
one		0	11	6					
	. 42 agreed upon by most voyces that Richard Bane for churchwarden the sume of xxs.	ırnes	s is	to					
The whol	le receytes of this yeare incg 20s recd of li. s.	d.							
	rd Barnes for one yeares service 57 03	41/2							
	li. s.	d.							
	mentes cometh to 82 10	9							
remaynei	ing dew to Rychard Barnes 25 7	41							

Memorandu' it was agreed and Consented vnto at the meeting of the parish the 15th day of August 1642 Thomas Griffin was then Chosen Clarke of the parish Church of St Martins Leicester by the free and full consent of Mr. Thomas White then Viccar and most of the parish then & there present Robert Fricke churchwarden &c.

[1642-3.]	of Saint Martin's, Leicester.		I	95
[1642 to 1643.]				
	Robert Heyrick Churchwarden.			
Receipts for Ch	urch works	I	18	08
-	the first tax			
Itm received at	the second tax	18	I	4
	Payments.			
Itm sent to Mr.	White and Mr. Angell [The Vicar & the Town			
	. 30th two quarts of sack being fast day	0	2	8
[A simi	lar present to Mr. White 28 Dec. being the fast day	.]		
Itm spent on B	ates & Noone when the Bells was comeing			
		0	0	6
	se six men for taking downe the Bell-frame			
and laying it	in the Church [six names] 2 dayes and a peice			
at 12d. a day	wth other expences	0	15	8
	uarter of Lime to Newton of Barrow	0	10	0
	chard Hastwell for 2 dayes worke to take the			
	out of the Steeple	0	2	О
	Mr. White the Countess of Devon gent for			
	King throne in our Church	0	5	0
[Sack to	Mr. White on 25 Jany & 22 Feby being fast days	i.]		
_	r. Purfrey a quart of sack ffeb 26	0	I	4
_	r. Emberweek a quart of sack March 5th	0	I	4
-	r. Barrey & Mr. Nedham 2 quarts of sack for			_
	the fast March 28th	0		8
	ope for the Hospitall bell	0	I	0
	Morton & his company a quart of sack and a ett for preaching July 18th	_	_	_
-	man for flowers & herbs to straw the Church	0	2	0
-	comeing	o	I	8
	owles for six burdens of rushes for the church	_	-	Ŭ
-	comeing	o	2	О

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Itm given to Mr. Angell and Mr. White 2 quarts of sack July			
the 27th being a fast day	0	2	8
earnest the same time July the 27th	0	I	o
Itm the bell was waighed July 29th 15° 2 quarters 6" spent at the same time	o	I	2
Itm spent win Bates at Mr. Watts his house when wee went	_	_	
to way the bell & it was not ready Itm spent at the waying of the bell and the workmens ffees	O	0	4
and the bond making	0	5	0
fourth bell was made tunable to the rest	o	o	6
Itm paid to Ludlam for 2 hookes to hold vp the seeling in Chauncell	0	ο.	4
Itm paid to John Boyer for watching on the steeple in the		- •	•
time of danger	_	I	_
Tim paid to Motiey for altering the clock to y 4th ben	U	1	J
[1643 to 1644.]			
Edward Biller and Samuell Wanley Churchwardens.			
Memorandu' at this meeting William Knowles Sexton w of his office for misdeameaner web was for getting a bastard ch body of Margaret Weston haveing a wife of his owne.	-		
Payments.			
Itm paid for a skin of Parchm to register their names that			

tooke the vow and covenant

Itm paid for ingroasing the said vow and covenant

Itm given to the ringers for ringing on the day of Thanksgiveing for London plott discovering

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0 3 4

0 I 0

0 0 6

book." On the last page are the following entries:--]

Att a meetinge of the Parish the 1646 It was put to the vote whether this day an election off a minister in the Roome off Mr. Grace shall be made in regard Mr. Grace at this tyme refuseth to asure the Parish of his Continuance

Whether one shall be chosen

+++++++ Noe + + + + + + +

Att the afforesaid meetinge Mr. Thomas Palmer of the Citty of London was elected minister in the Roome of Mr. Grace and agreed that Mr. Angell be Intreated to acquaint Mr. Palmer wib the vote of the parish and to Intreat him to speed to the parish and this Election was made at a generall call of the parish by vs whose names are under writt.

Edm Cradoch Major

[and twenty-eight more.]



SECTION IV.

1645-1737.

(Extracts as given by Nichols "History of Leicestershire" Vol. I. Part pp. 578-585).

[1645.]

What was received at the Communions on April 13, and May 11, being about 30s. was taken out of the poor men's box by the soldiers at the taking of Leicester.

Paid for mending the little aile in the Chancel 7s. 3d.

For a bason to be used at baptism 5s.

For a standard to bear the same 15s.

For laying the same in marble colour 5s.

[1646.]

Jan. 8, it was ordered, that the Churchwardens take of Mr. John Bryan his house, late in the occupation of Mr. John Prat, and see the same put in repair for the use of Mr. Thomas Daffy, at the charge of the parish; and that they advance what rent they can on the Vicarage-house towards payment of Mr. Bryant's rent

May 20, the Churchwardens set the Vicar's house to Mld. Hebb for 40s. a year, allowing repairs out of the rent.

Whereas the parishioners had voluntarily subscribed towards the maintenance of a minister several sums amounting to £50; which being thought too little, it was agreed, March 15, 1646, that 13 persons should be chosen, the major part of whom shall add to the same subscriptions,

in way of tax, such sums as they think fit, to make up the full sum of £80 for the said minister, with Tamworth's Exhibition, besides the other parochial duties, which sums the inhabitants engaged to pay; but this engagement was to continue only till Michaelmas. A tax was made accordingly; and, April 1647, unanimously agreed to; and that the like sum be yearly raised, so long as Mr. Daffy should continue minister of the parish.

Received of Thomas Doctor (or Carter) for a house in the Abbey Gate, given by widow Ossiter, lately deceased, being an annuity for the poor of St. Martin's parish 20s.

At this time (1646) there were great changes of the parish ministers. Paid the 7th of May to the ringers, when New-worke was surrendered up unto Parliament 2s. 6d.

Paid to the ringers when the Lords and Commons and Judges were at Leicester 4s.

Paid to the ringers Jan. 22, 1646, when the Lords and Commons came to Leicester, by the appointment of the Committee, 6s.

Paid to the ringers when his Excellency came to Leicester 2s. 6d. Paid to the ringers when the King came to Leicester 3s.

[1647.]

Mem. The Sacrament was received but three times this year, viz.: April 5, Aug. 23, 1646, and Easter Day, 1647.

Paid for a Directory, and a Psalm-book 3s. 4d.

For a cushion for the pulpit £1 12s. 9d.

To Mr. Daffy, Sept. 24, 1646, by consent of the parish 20s.

For ringing at his election by the parish 3s.

To the ringers when the King came to Leicester 3s.

In this year the minister's tax fell short.

Thomas Griffen was paid 5s. for redeeming the Register-book.

[1648.]

March 27. There being three quarters of the assessment for Mr. Daffy raised, and it coming to but £45 7s. 6d., so that £7 8s. 5d. was behind

unpaid by several persons; it is ordered, that, if upon demand the said arrears are denied, the churchwardens shall pay the £7 8s. 5d.; and what is denied, and the deniers, be raised in the next tax for the church duties, and be distrained for in case of refusal.

It was then also agreed, that Mr. Thomas Daffy, our Vicar if, he will stay, shall have his allowance for the year ensuing, according to the former agreement.

N.B.—In the churchwardens accompts, after the particulars of taxes, there is an account of receipts in groats from several persons in 1646, £1 115. 10d., in 1648 £2 15. 1d.

1647. Received of Mr. Whatton for his seat in the parish 20s.; and so 1649, 1650.

Received of Thomas Carver, for a house, being the gift of widow Ossiter, for the use of the poor of St. Martin's 20s.

N.B.—The Communion received Eleven times.

Paid for a Scotch declaration 6d.

For a League and Covenant, with a frame, and an Ordinance 3s. od.

To Thomas Griffin, for collecting Mr. Daffy's money 20s.

1648. March 6, it is ordered that Mr. William Frank shall pay to Mr. Price, minister, the remainder of his Christmas quarter, till it can be Collected up.

Paid June 22, 1648, for summoning the parish to the choice of a minister, 2s.

Paid Mr. Daffy, by the parish's order, April 25, 1648, as the full of his due £9 4s.

N.B.—The parish seem to have chosen Mr. Herring, of Coventry, for minister, whom they sent to, and he seems to refuse them.

Paid July 28, 1648, for wine, ale, and tobacco at our first meeting Mr. Price 9s. 2d.

Aug. 21, at the second meeting Mr. Price 12s. od.

Paid Sep. 3 to Thomas Griffin, for his charges to get Ministers to preach f_2 10s.

Lost by clipped money 6s.

Paid Mr. Wanley, for repairs of Mr. Bryan's house which was rent £7 10s.

For work done at Mr. Price's house £1 13s. 2d.

Sep. 14, for carriage of two loads of Mr. Price's goods, and thirteen packets £9 10s. 6d.

For making a seat for Mr. Price and for timber £1 6s. 6d.

Dec. 21. to Thomas Griffin, for collecting Michaelmas quarter for Mr. Price 7s. 6d.

Paid Mr. Price to make up his Michaelmas and Thomas quarterage £ 10 2s. 6d.

Paid Mr. Edward Palmer for drawing writings between Mr. Daffy and the parish, and Mr. Price and the parish 13s. 6d.

Here are charges for ringing at the victory over the Scots; for good tidings from Wales; on the day of thanksgiving for regaining of Leicester; and for a victory over the Enemy at Willoughby, by the Committee's appointment.

[1649.]

March 27, at this meeting John Newton is chosen clerk of the parish during his good demeanour; and 13 persons were chosen for Mr. Price's tax for this whole year; and this tax was to be paid within a month after quarter day.

Received of Mr. Sherman for his liberty in church 5s.

Of Mr. Thomas Wadland for his liberty in church 5s.; so 1650 &c.

Of Mr. George Palmer, for a piece of ground in Margaret's parish 10s.; so 1650, 1651.

Of Thomas Carver for a house in Abbey Gate 10s. so to 1666.

Aug. 27. It is agreed that the churchwardens shall pay to Mr. Price \pounds_4 for the last two quarters; and for the future Mr. Price is contented to proceed according to the former order made at a meeting concerning Mr. Tamworth's gift for the prayers at St. Martin's parish.

[1650.]

Payments. Mr. Price for his quarterages.

[1651.]

Received of George Smith for a stone belonging to the font 7s.

Of Mr. Hugh Watts, for his liberty of the church 10s.; and so for him and others, 1651, 1653.

Paid for casting the third bell and charges in court £11 11s. 10d.

For washing down the King's Arms in the church 6s.

May 7. Mr. Price sent in his bill of demand for £22 in arrears, whereof there is 20s. in John Newton's hands, and £3 for Mr. Tamworth's prayers; and 30s. to discount for a quarter for Tamworth's prayers; so there is due to him £16 10s. to be paid by the present churchwardens at or before Midsummer next.

In this year a mat is charged for lady Hungate's seat; and a charge for destroying the King's arms.

Several charges appear about this time for procuring ministers to preach.

Between 1640 and 1650 there were five Vicars.

[1651-2.]

March 19. Agreed that Mr. Richard Pike be presented to the Committee for Reformation of the Universities, to be minister of the parish of St. Martin's, in Leicester; and that Mr. Mayor signify, by his letters to the Committee, and the lord Grey, and Sir Arthur Haslerigge, our election of the said Mr. Pike.

[1652.]

Paid for a quart of sack when Mr. Blant preached 1s. 8d.

The parish charge for ministers officiating among us, from Easter to Michaelmas 1651 £8 3s. 1d. &c. &c.

Paid John Newton for summoning the parish about electing a new minister is.

To John Newton, for summoning the parish, and stating the accompts with him and the parish upon his [i.e. the minister's] removal 1s.

To John Newton, for going to Mr. Pike, to acquaint him with his being elected Vicar 10d.

To Mrs. Holmes her whole year's salary, ended March 25, 1652, allowed her by the parish for her life $\pounds 2$.

Paid to the ringers for the 18th of June, being the day of regaining the town, 4s.; and 2s. 6d. at General Cromwell's passing by, Aug. 25; and upon the news of beating the Scots 3s. 4d.; and for ringing on the thanksgiving day, on that account, by lord Grey's order.

In this accompt also are many charges in procuring clergymen to preach on the Lord's day, while they had no stated minister.

[1653.]

Received of Mr. Billington, for the ground in the chancel 6s. 8d.

N.B. For several years they used to ring June 18, for regaining of Leicester, and allowed for it 4s.

Mem. Mrs. Holmes, of the New Hospital, buried Jan. 28, 1652-3, to whom the parish allowed 40s. per annum.

Paid for ten quarts of sack 20s.

April 12, it was agreed that for the future no tax should be made for church or poor by any officer without public notice given to the parish.

April 22, agreed, that the ringers shall demand but 6s. upon the death of any parishioner who has the bells; and that the sexton shall demand but 3s. for ringing the bell and making a grave in the church, chancel, or chapel; and for such as are buried in the churchyard with a coffin 18d. and without a coffin od.

It was agreed also, that such seats in the church which are usually taken up by persons in no other parish, and refuse to pay any church duties, shall be locked up until they submit to such payments for the church as shall be judged reasonable, and they are to have notice thereof.

May 23. Mr. Churchwarden Curtise is to desire Mr. Dixie of Cadeby, to preach one Sabbath; and to signify the desire of the parish to choose him for their minister.

Agreed that Mr. Curtise provide for the morning sermon on the Lord's day for a month, the parish being content to allow 10s. a day.

Oct. 20. Mr. Christopher Wright chosen minister; the parish engaging to pay him so much as will make up Mr. Tamworth's exhibition

£80 per annum, payable quarterly, the first payment Dec. 25 next; and Mr. Wright to have the Vicarage house, and £3 per annum more to provide him an habitation, or if he let the parish have the Vicarage house he is to have £5 for a house.

N.B. There was a vacancy of the Vicarage from Midsummer 1651 till Michaelmas 1653.

[1654.]

Received of the gentlemen in the new market £1 2s. 8d. (This is for seats in the church; viz: Mr. Whatton 10s. Mr. Watts 6s. 8d. Mr. Thomas Wodland 5s. William Freer 1s.)

Paid Dr. Bryan for rent for Mr. Price's house £5.

Oct. 20. Agreed that the lands of such as inhabit in the parish shall be chargeable to the poor after the rate of 1d. in the pound; 1d. for setting the poor on work; 2d. for the relief of the impotent; and 3d. to put forth apprentices.

[1655.]

Feb. 29. The overseers and churchwardens placed Margaret Hopkins in a cottage or tenement in the church yard, which, with two other cottages thereto adjoining, was bequeathed to us by Hugh Lewis, late of this parish, for three widows, during their lives &c., paying the chief or fee farm rent to the town.

[1656.]

Paid Francis Motley, for looking to the clock this year 10s.

To John Newton, his wages as clerk 10s.

Oct. 5. Agreed, that the churchwardens weekly pay to Mr. William Barton 20s. so as he perform all the offices of a minister in the said parish, and administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper monthly.

Feb. 20. Agreed, that this order be in force for raising 20s. a week for Mr. William Barton from Dec. 22 past to March 25 next.

[1657.]

Several others, besides Mr. Barton, officiated as ministers.

Sept. 1. Agreed, that the ring of bells be made into six tuneable bells: the treble and tenor to be cast into three bells tuneable under the other three, and the fourth bell that now is, to be made a tuneable tenor, without casting &c.

[1658.]

Then the two bells being cast in three bells by Mr. Norris of Stamford, it seems they were disliked, whereupon.

Aug. 31. It was agreed with Mr. George Oldfield of Nottingham, to cast the six bells into six new tuneable bells &c., for £50.

[1660.]

Paid for ringing June 18, 5s. (ergo the rejoicing for recovery of Leicester lasted till 1660.)

[1661.]

Paid for ringing when the King came to London May 31, 5s. For painting the King's arms, and mayor's seat £6 13s. 4d.

Feb. 4. Agreed that the font of stone formerly belonging to the church shall be set up in the antient place, and that the other now standing near the desk be taken down.

Agreed with John Hall and William Hall for keeping plumbing the leads, and glazing the windows, to pay them yearly £5.

[1662.]

Paid for a Common Prayer Book, and binding Bishop Hall's Works, belonging to the church 17s. 6d.

Paid widow Smith for the font stone, being the price her husband paid for it 7s.

Mem. The last account for bells alone is 1652.

For bells and grave in 1653.

Once bells in 1655 and 1656.

July 15. Edward Read was nominated and elected parish clerk, in the presence of Mr. William Barton, vicar, in the room of John Newton, who lately resigned the said office; and that he shall have the 30s. per annum allowed to his predecessors for collecting the vicar's quarterage, with all other profits belonging to the said office.

There was delivered into his custody at the same time, one pulpit cushion, one hour-glass, two great Bibles, one new and the other old, one Common Prayer Book, one Testament with a case for the use of the clerk, &c. &c.

July 28. Four sidesmen or assistants were chosen by order of the Ecclesiastical Court (which had not been done from the time of the war); and so till 1666; then omitted till 1671; and then left off.

On his Majesty's Coronation day, and on the public day of Thanksgiving, the 29th of May, there was much ringing and additional pay.

[1663.]

Received of the gentry in the New Market towards the repair of the church, in consideration of their seats os.

June 30. Agreed that the churchwardens shall set up the chimes at the parish charge and also a quarter clock to go upon the five least bells.

[1664.]

Paid for a pint of sack, given to Mr. Angell when he drew up a bill of presentment 11d.

Paid for railing the seats in the middle aile 14s.

June 27. Agreed, that Francis Motley for making a tuneable pair of chimes shall have £12 4s.; and for keeping them yearly 20s. with the materials of the old chimes now in the vestry.

Aug. 29. The churchwardens may lay a quarter's tax for paying unto Francis Motley for the chimes and out of it to pay £3 to Mr. Barton for his pains in tuning the chimes; and they shall appoint six honest able men to be standing ringers who shall receive 4s. per annum apiece for ringing and chiming on Sundays, holy days, and other days, as the

churchwardens shall appoint, for giving convenient notice to the parishioners for preparation to come to church.

[1665.]

Paid to Thomas Todd for dressing the church against the Bishop's visitation 8d.

Paid Mr. Barton by order of the parish £3.

April 10. William Cockle is chosen sexton upon his good behaviour.

[1666.]

Paid for bread and drink upon the people and parson when he went upon perambulation 6s.

To the young people in points 2s. 6d.

Paid to Richard Sheenes for a new table for the chancellor 14s. 6d. Paid for two visitation dinners £1 10s.

Paid for setting a little tree in the churchyard given by Robert Hartshorn 3d.

[1667.]

Agreed that the collection at every Sacrament defray the charge of bread and wine, and the overplus given to the poor; if the money collected be not sufficient, the rest to be paid by the churchwardens.

March 11. Mem. That the piece of ground in St. Margaret's parish, given to this parish is in length between the two end walls 87 yards, and in breadth from the four trees to the west of widow Biggs her close 17 yards and a half.

[1667-8.]

Paid for painting the Commandments £1 8s.

March 24. Agreed that the 24s. per annum hitherto allowed for chiming the bells on the Sabbath-day shall be allowed no longer; and that the bells shall be chimed notwithstanding by the sexton. Also it is further agreed that the 2s. 2d. formerly allowed to the minister, clerk, and sexton, for the burying of such poor that have collections, or their

children, shall be taken off and paid no longer, but that the said officers shall do the same freely.

[1669.]

Paid Mr. William Barton £2 10s.

Paid Mr. Levit, proctor, by bill £2 2s, 2d.

For work about the catechising seat for boys 2s. 8d.

Paid Mr. Read for writing out of the Register of the christenings, burials, and marriages, that was delivered to the Bishop 20s.

Paid to the women of the New Hospital, due out of Joseph Wright's lands 2s.

For ringing at the bishop's visitation 8s.

For matting the loft, 58 yards, at 6d. per yard £1 9s. 6s. for the orders to hang in the loft.

Agreed that the parish will not allow above 10s. for any visitation dinner hereafter.

Ordered, that the churchwardens for the year ensuing shall pay Mr. Barton, minister, 50s.

July 2. Ordered, that all lands within the parish of St. Martin's shall be taxed a penny in the pound to the church and poor.

Jan. 25. Michael Benshaw is chosen clerk of this parish; and it is agreed that widow Read shall enjoy all the profit of the clerk's place till Lady-day next.

[1670.]

Aug. 5. Agreed that Mr. Bliss have £65. to mend the spire of the steeple.

Oct. 3. Ordered that the churchwardens provide a hood for Mr. William Barton, at the charge of the parish and so to be kept for the use of the parish.

Dec. 29. Ordered, that the churchwardens pay Mr. Barton, our present Vicar, 50s. towards repair of his house.

Agreed that all parish children should be clothed in blue cloth, and

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if any officer or person shall use any other colour, it shall be at their own proper cost and charges.

In this year the steeple was repaired, part taken down, at the expence of f.65.

[1671.]

It is ordered that for the future no monies shall be paid to the sexton or any other for ringing at the Assizes.

Aug. 2. Four sidesmen chosen; and agreed that 15s. be allowed for each visitation dinner.

[1673.]

Ordered that the churchwardens cause to be written upon the church walls the fees agreed to be paid to the clerk and sexton, which are this day ordered to be paid as followeth:

The sexton, for ringing the calling, the passing, and sermon bells, and making the grave in the church, chancel or chapel 3s.; in the churchyard, with a coffin, 18d., without a coffin, 9d.

The clerk shall have for the burial of any person in the church, chancel or chapel, and the registering thereof 2s.; for the burial in the churchyard, with a coffin, and the registering thereof 12d.; for the burial in the churchyard, without a coffin, and registering thereof 6d.; for the christening and registering of any child, and the churching of the woman 6d.

It is also ordered that the clerk and sexton shall not demand the fees for burial of any person until the third day after the funeral, unless strangers are concerned in the payment of them.

[1675.]

Received for a piece of a gravestone 3s.

Paid Mr. Stephens, and the Apparitor, for a terrier of the vicarage-house and churchyard 4s.

Feb. 29. Agreed, that for the future the taxes shall be levied upon land as well as by estimation of personal estates.

[1676.]

Aug. 7. Agreed, that the Master of Wigston's Hospital may make and continue seats for the people of the said Hospital, from the great South door to the West end of the church, &c., &c.

[1679.]

Paid for two acts for burying in woollen 1s.
Paid for removing the schoolmaster's seat 4s.

[168o.]

Paid at the Bishop's Visitation for Mr. Newton's dinner, the sidesmen, and other charges 17s. 10d.

Paid fees for the sequestrations £1 3s. 2d.

Paid John Coleman for the sequestration £2.

For ringing when the Earl of Rutland came to town the sessions after twelfth day 10s.

For work and wood about the Vicarage-house &c. £1 4s. 6d.

To the ringers, for one quarter's chiming on Sundays before sermon 6s.

[1681.]

Paid for cloth for the clerk's gown £1 4s. 6d.

For trimming and making it 4s. 8d.

For 45 yards of rails and banisters for the Aldermen, and 48 men's seats, at 17d. the yard f_3 3s. 9d.

For the King's arms over the mace case £2.

[1682.]

Mr. William Warburton paid 50s. fine for not serving Churchwarden; and so likewise Mr. William Orton; so likewise Mr. Thomas Ludlam; and Mr. William Shears paid £4.

Mr. Thomas Simpson paid a fine of 40s. for not serving collector for the poor.

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Paid for perambulation 8s. 101d. and more 11s. 10d.

It was agreed that William Cockle shall be no longer sexton of the parish; and that the present Vicar, Mr. Newton, and the churchwardens do take care of a fit person for that place.

[1684.]

Agreed that William Cockle shall have 20s. towards putting him into the Hospital.

Paid Francis Hooke, for his Majesty's declaration for the times when his Majesty touches for healing [no sum quoted].

[1685.]

At the procession on Holy Thursday 16s.

Given in points 1s. 6d.

For marking the bounds 1s.

Paid for ringing when the charter was surrendered 3s. 6d.

Paid for painting the pulpit and seats £1 5s.

Paid Mr. Stephens, for enlarging the seats, being the fees of the Court £1 5s.

[1686.]

Paid for a standish, pens, ink, and sandbox for the vestry 2s.

For bread, ale and tobacco, at the procession £1 35.

For chiming the bells this year f 1 4s.

For ringing when the news came of Rebels routed 10s.; of Monmouth and Grey being taken 10s.

Paid for painting and whiting in and without the church £28 10s. 4d. Several payments about the King's picture.

May 12. It is agreed that Mr. Craycroft shall carry on the charge for the first half-year of Churchwarden and Mr. Abney the other half-year; and to have two new ones chosen every Easter Tuesday for the future.

Agreed, that the churchwardens shall make a search at the registers, which seats in the church are licensed, and to whom, whether appropri-

ated to the persons or houses. It is also agreed, that no seats be licensed to any persons without the consent of a parish meeting.

Aug. 4. It is agreed that 5s. a quarter shall be allowed to the sexton and his assistants for chiming the bells on the Sabbath day.

King Charles the First's picture, now over the Consistory Court, was painted by a Mr. Rowley, charge £10.

[1686-7.]

Agreed that Thomas Cartwright's bill for making the altar in St. Martin's church, and the table therein placed and other work, be referred to the judgment of Robert Scampton, joiner, and he to set the price of the whole.

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March 29. Agreed that a new clock shall be made at the charge of the parish.

April 27. Paid for keeping the crowd out at Confirmation 4s.

For ringing at the Bishop's coming to town 2s.

Paid for two pair of large candlesticks for the church £1.

Aug. 17. Agreed, that George Hill of Ousen, have £15 to mend the lower steeple, according to an agreement made with him.

[1688.]

Aug. 16. Collected for the French Protestants £15 17s. 5d. Received for the old clock 20s. of Mr. Wilkin. Paid for ale, bread, and tobacco, on Holy Thursday 19s. For points 18d. marking the bounds 1s. Paid for a cloth gown for Michael Banshaw £1 15s. Paid for a new hearse cloth £1 10s.

[1689.]

For ringing at the restoring of the old charter Oct. 20. 6s. Paid November the last for ringing for the Princess Ann 5s. 6d. July 1. Agreed that the bells be all new hung.

July 11. Collected for the Irish Protestants £26.

Jan. 8. John Selby voted out of the Sexton's place, and Richard Yates chosen sexton.

[1690.]

June 16. Collected upon the second brief for Irish Protestants £13 125. 9\frac{1}{4}.

[1691.]

May 9. Agreed, that whoever refuses to pay to the church, shall pay the church levies proportionable to the poor.

[1692.]

May 4. Agreed that Henry Cotton, and his son, repair the tower and staircase; and they are to be allowed 2s. 8d. apiece for each day they work; and we to provide our own labourers, and pay them, and employ what other workmen we think convenient.

[1693.]

Paid for gilding the weather-cock £1 4s.

[1695.]

Paid for tolling at the Queen's interment 2s.

For 12 yards of fine Holland £3, for making of a surplice 7s. 6d.

Oct 4. Collected for French Protestants £8 4s.

[1696.]

Paid for a large Bible ruled for the church £4.

Paid for ringing on the King's birthday, and the King coming through Leicester the same day 5s.

For ringing November 5th, 10s.

Paid for Common Prayer Book for the church 12s. 6d.

Dec. 15. Agreed or Consented that Mr. Hopkin Thomas of Barkby, should be Vicar of St. Martin's.

Agreed to remove the organ.

[1697.]

April 18. Agreed that the churchwardens shall take off the two locks of the seat formerly called Mr. Inge's seat, lately set on by order of Mr. Inge; and by order of Mr. G. Bent, late churchwarden; and if any controversy arise, the parish shall bear them harmless.

Paid for trimming for Joseph Payne's gown 6s. 5d.

Paid the ringers when Mr. Thomas was chosen 5s.

June 30. Agreed that a petition be drawn to the Bishop concerning two seats, one called Mr. Stephens's, the other Mr. Inge's seat, which are now in dispute with the parish.

Agreed that a bottle of wine be given to any minister for preaching during the present vacancy.

Also agreed that Mr. John Newton, minister, shall be allowed 6s. 8d. for keeping the register, which Mr. Bent, late churchwarden, should have paid him.

[1698.]

Paid for victuals and drink when Mr. Pool took induction 7s. 2d.

Paid the ringers on that occasion 5s.

Paid to Mr. Martin the minister, upon Mr. Pool's induction as we allowed at a parish meeting, for reading prayers £2.

Paid to the ringers when Mr. Wood took possession of the place 5s. Agreed that the organ be removed at the parish charge within one month.

[1700.]

Paid for 13 yards of holland, at 5s. per yard, for a surplice £3 5s.

For making, thread, &c. 7s. 6d.

For a looking glass for the Vestry 4s.

Collected for relief of the Vaudois £22 13s. 7d.

July 1. Agreed that the fifth bell, being cracked, shall be new cast.

Agreed that William Noone of Nottingham shall have 20s. per cwt. for casting it, tuneable to the rest, and as near the same weight as may be, he allowing 10d. per lb. for what it wants, and we 12d. for what it weighs more.

The parish is to be at charge to carry it to Nottingham; and he to return it, and re-cast it if not tuneable, or if cracked in a year.

July. Collected for Redemption of Captives £5 6s. 6d.

[1701.]

July 7. It is agreed at this meeting that the Rev. Mr. Carte, vicar of St. Martin's in the borough of Leicester, shall have £5 per annum paid half yearly by the churchwardens for the time being beginning at Lady-day last, for the paying of his rent, over and above the rent of the Vicarage house belonging to the parish.

May 19. 50s. given to H. Valentine for playing on the organ, for a year ending at May-day last.

Aug. 13. Agreed that the fifth bell be new cast by Mr. Noone of Nottingham.

[1702.]

June 19. Agreed that £5 be given to H. Valentine for playing the organ, for a year ending at Lady-day last, and the like sum yearly for the future.

June 28. Ordered, that new chimes be made.

Oct. 6. The tenor bell being cracked, ordered to be sawn, which cost £1 45.

[1704.]

April 17. Agreed with Mr. Noone of Nottingham, to cast the tenor bell; and memorandum, the bell being taken down weighed 19 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

Paid for wine in the year 1703 £7 11s. 6d.

Paid for casting the te bell, 1704, £26 8s.

For wine, 1704, £6

Paid for a Form o

iksgiving after the great storm is.

[1705.]

Aug. 7. It was agreed that a gallery be built to extend from the schoolmaster's seat, and to join to the third pillar which stands in the first seat next the aile.

The victories of the duke of Marlborough created much ringing.

[1706.]

- April 5. The vacant seats in church and gallery ordered to be disposed of to those persons who are not otherwise provided for, at the discretion of the churchwardens, according to their payments to the church and poor.
- April 5. Agreed, that the seat next the reading desk be locked, and kept for women strangers christenings and churchings.
- Oct. 4. Agreed that two women shall have 6d. per day for looking after a certain number of seats; and that the two sextons shall have 5s. per quarter added for looking after such seats as they are appointed for.

Paid for taking a Papish priest and expences 3s. 6d.

[1707.]

May 8. The Quakers refusing to pay anything to church levies, it is agreed, that they shall be charged so much more to the poor's tax, as will balance what they ought to pay to the church.

[1708.]

- Jan. 4. It was agreed that the collectors shall pay the weekly bill at the church on every Friday morning betwixt 9 and 10, unless it be a holy day or fair day; and that the sexton toll the bell at the time, and be allowed 10d. per day, and such poor as do not appear within that time with their badge (unless sick or lame, or other reasonable let approved by the collector) are to forfeit that week's collection.
- April 28. To prevent the charge of locking and unlocking the seats, ordered, the churchwardens to cause keys to be made, and given to the persons placed in these seats.

[1709.]

Aug. 22. The seat called Mr. Whatton's seat granted to the use of Mr. Carter and his family; and the south chancel ordered to be repaired.

Sep. 27. Agreed that the churchwardens shall try the title with Mr. Stephen for Mr. Whatton's seat.

[1709-10.]

Feb. 20. John Dyson chosen organist.

[1710.]

Mar. 30. Agreed that the churchwardens shall shew to Mr. Stephen what books he designs to peruse relating to the dispute about the seat, if the counsel think fit, otherwise not.

Mrs. Elizabeth Coats gave a silver Communion cup and cover, weight 18 oz. 10 dwts.

Jan. 5. Agreed that the poor who will not wear the badges shall have their collection stopped; the badges are M.P. in blue cloth.

Feb. 23. Agreed that John Dyson shall have £5 yearly for playing on the organ.

[1711.]

Jan. 15. Agreed to allow Mr. Roger Lee 20s. per annum, to look after and repair the clock and chimes.

July 4. Agreed that if any of the poor appear without the badge, he is to forfeit for every default a week's collection; and if the collector pay any defaulter, it shall not be allowed in his accompt.

Aug 23. Agreed that the churchwardens for the time being put the chancel into repair, at the expence of the parish, out of respect to Mr. Carte, the present vicar, to whom the said repairs belong.

At this parish meeting Mrs. Alice Barnes, widow of Mr. John Barnes of London, daughter of Mr. Edward Billers, formerly of this parish, presented two silver flagons, the one 46 oz. 2 dwts. the other 46 oz. 9 dwts. for the use of the parish of St. Martin, at the Holy Eucharist, and

ordered, that the two pewter flagons be forthwith melted down, and the value of the pewter applied to the repairs of the church.

[1712.]

May 14. Agreed, that the churchwardens shall forthwith cause to be pallisadoed the two arches of the great chancel, to render it more convenient for the Bishop to confirm children in.

[1713.]

July 23. Agreed that a skylight shall be made in the roof opposite to the pulpit, for a better light, at the request of Mr. Archdeacon Rogers.

[1714.]

Nov. 28. Paid the ringers when Mr. Carte was inducted.

[1715.]

Jan. 12. Agreed that Mark Anthony Dallow repair and mend the organ (as here mentioned) for which he is to have £50.

[1716.]

July 20. Mr. Dallow having fully performed his agreement, and added two stops, and other work not mentioned in his agreement; it was ordered that the churchwardens pay him the £50 and £20 over and above.

[1717.]

April 23. Agreed, that Mr. John Dyson, present organist, shall have £10 per annum during pleasure.

[1718.]

April 20. Agreed, that the churchwardens shall cause the staircase leading up the steeple to be repaired.

[1719.]

September 4. Agreed with Benjamin Garland and Mr. John Brothers for an altar to be set up in the chancel; viz: Mr. Brothers to have £25

and Mr. Garland £10;—and Mr. Brothers is to have £5 more if he perform his work to the liking of the parish.

This year the altar piece cost £40.

[1720.]

Jan. 13. The churchwardens and overseers ordered to purchase a piece of ground in the parish and build a house on it for the poor, which they did of Timothy Sampter, in Millstone-lane.

[1721.]

Jan. 3. My son Samuel* made declaration, that he would not put the parish to any charge about the prosecution of Mr. Jackson &c. on the presentments of the churchwardens.

[1722.]

June 13. Agreed, that workmen be employed to take down the weathercock, that it may be made useful, to turn with the wind.

June 27. Agreed with John Jones and John Tompson, masons, to give them £20 to put the weathercock in order, and point and repair the spire.

[1723.]

June 4. The churchwardens ordered to provide a house, or hand engine, to extinguish fire.

[1724.]

An order came from the Bishop of Lincoln for new pewing the church, and building the North gallery uniform with the South gallery built in 1705.

In April this year the inhabitants of St. Martin's determined to convert their parish houses into a workhouse, by joining two of the lower

^{*} Samuel Carte, F

ards an eminent solicitor in Chancery, and an ical Antiquary.

apartments into one, for a working room, and fitting up two others for a kitchen, cellar &c., and furnishing them.

In the year 1730, Mr. Needham, who lived in the churchyard, obtained leave from the parish to make a gravel walk, and plant it with trees at his own expence.

In 1737, it was agreed that part of the spire should be taken down, i.e. two feet below the first window, at the expence of £126; an enormous expence, if compared with the rebuilding of St. Mary's spire lately. Moreover, the builder, whose name was Jackson, tricked the parish out of a full yard of its height.



SECTION V.

1744-1844.

(Extracts from original Documents made by the Editor.)

1744. April 7. Paid for a Form of Prayer & Procla-			
mation for a Fast	0	-2	0
May 3. Paid at the Preambulation at the marking	1	16	0
June 25. Paid for 4 Horse loads of Coles	0	8	6
Paid for Ringing the 29 of May	0	IO	0
Paid for Ringing 11 June	0	6	0
Dec. 12. Paid Cook for a Form of Prayer for a Fast	0	2	0
21. Paid for Ringing at the King's Coronation	0	10	0
Paid for Ringing for the 5th November	0	10	0

1745. Mar. 25. Paid Mark Valentine his year's Sallary 10 10 0 At a Parish Meeting held June 27, 1745. Agreed to take the window over Mr. Davenport's Monumet out and make it up with brick mullions & to stuckos the outside and also to repair the roof of the Parsons Chancel.

1746. June 17. The roof of the church was viewed by the Parish Officers & several other parishioners then present when it appeared to them that the Roof of the Middle Isle was in a very dangerous Condition, it is therefore order'd that Mr. Westley shall procure Three Beams sufficient for the Repp: * the Roof & that he do bring in an estimate of the Charge next * ing.

1746. July 24. Mr. Westley was ordered to procure other necessary timber & proceed with the repairs.

1747. April 21. It is agreed that the Prayer Bell from Lady Day to Michaelmas shall begin to ring at Ten in the morning and Three in the afternoon & from Michaelmas to Lady Day at Eleven in the Forenoon & Two in the afternoon & to ring each time a Quarter of an hour & that the Person who rings the Bell shall not alter the Time of Ringing without the Order of the Churchwardens. It is also agreed that the Organist shall play the organ on Lecture Days.

1747. August 20th Agreed that the churchwardens do apply to the Gentlemen of the Parish to subscribe towards defraying the expence of under-drawing the Roof of the Middle Isle of the church.

1747. Sept. 28. Agreed that the under-drawing be deferred till next-spring.

1748. April 12th Agreed that all Poor who are relieved by the Parish shall wear blue badges.

1748. September 5th Upon Severall Complaints being lodged against Marke Vallentine Organist it was agreed that Marke Vallentine shou'd Be Discharged and that Dr. Heighington was elected Organist in his Room & yo Voats as follows for Dr. Heighington 58 for Mr. Vallentine 29.

1748. May 19. Paid at yo Perambulation	I	16	o
29. Ringing	0	10	О
June 11. Ringing	0	6	o
24. Paid for Crying a reward when ye Trees was			
Cutt in Ch. Yard	0	0	6
Help when yo New Kings Arms put up	0	I	0
Dec. 21. Holley & Ivy & sticking it in ye Ch	0	2	6
1750. May 11. Agreed to allow Dr. Heighington six guineas for Repairing and improving the organ			
1751. June 11. P4 for the Clark's gown & making	3	3	o

1753. Feby. 20. Mr. Henry Broome chosen organist.

1754. July 8. Agreed that the organ be Repaired and Removed to the West End of the church if a subscription could be Rased for the Expence of Doeing the same; if not the money subscribed to Be Returned; it is to be done and finished according to a proposall to Be Given in by Mr. W^m Casterton of Langham in the County of Rutland which proposal amounts to the sum of seventy four pounds.

[Considerable additions were made to the Organ upon its removal to the West End of the church, of which full particulars are given in this book.]

- 1754. Octr. 16. Agreed to take down the old Ringing Loft & Staircase and the Clock & Gallery and to make a new ringing loft with a ceiling under the same; also to make a fence for the clock in the ringing loft. The whole to be Completed for £20 and the old materials.
- 1755. May 14. Agreed to take down the Vicarage House (if the Bishop's consent can be had) & To make a burying place of the Garden allowing the Vicar five pounds per annum for the ground for ever in lieu of the said House.
- 1755. Aug. 11th Agreed that Esq' Fortry be spoken to to come on Thursday morning next to Inspection to the Organ and its agreed that if Esq' Fortry could not come over then that ye Churchwardens doe advance to ye said Mr. Casterton Fifteen pounds.
- 1756. March 29th Agreed that Mr. W^m Bolton be organist so long as he behaves well at £10 p. annum.
- - 1759. June 13. Fees for Consecrating the new ground 5 14 4
- 1762. Philip Hacket who was Clerk of this Parish and Proctor of the Spiritual Court for a many years gave two silver Plates for the use

of the Altar only at a Parish meeting held in this church Dec. 21. Anno 1762.

To compleat the sett of Plate for the Holy Communion is wanting a Silver Dish.

1765. Jan. 24. Agreed that the Churchwardens be fully empowered to take down the second Bell which is become crakt & unfit for use & that they cause the same to be re-cast & replaced at ye expence of ye Parish and do therein what further repairs shall appear necessary.

[The Bell was re-cast at S. Neots by Josh. Eayre.]

1767. June 17th Agreed to take a part of the Roof off on the North side and the Roof shortened also the Lead to be re-cast & the Gallery to be suported on the North side.

1767. Sep. 25. Agreed to raise money for the Repair of the Organ by subscription; & if that is not found sufficient to raise the remainder by Levy.

1769. June 1. Agreed that a subscription be opened for a new organ.

1772. Sep. 30. Agreed that Mr. Wing should repair the four middle windows in the spire for eleven pounds.

1774. Oct. 27. A Parish meeting at which several subscribers to the new organ attended.

There being a surplus of £16 7s. 6d. remaining ordered that it be paid to Mr. Cart in consideration of his expences in soliciting subscriptions. That the thanks of subscribers & Parishioners be returned to Joseph Cradock Esq. of Gumbley for his care & attention in superintending the building of the organ & that the letter to him then read be with his permission printed in the Leicester Journal.

That a List of subscribers with the sums by them respectively subscribed & a copy of the receipts & disbursements be fairly transcribed & hung up in the Vestry.

N.B. Joseph Cradock Esq. was steward of the anniversary meeting of the Leicester Infirmary held September 21, 1774, to which Charitable

foundation he is a liberal subscriber. On this occasion He Composed an Ode suitable to the subject, caused it to be set to music & directed the performance of it at the Castle of the County of Leicester.

Mr. Hackett for Faculty for Removing Organ 5 17 5

1778. March II. Agreed that the middle isle of this church be under drawed in a workmanlike manner & that the expence thereof (exceeding the £100 lately given by Mr. Cornelius Norton deceased which is intended to be appropriated for that purpose) be paid by the Churchwardens of the said parish & allowed them in their accounts &c. &c.

1778. Dec. 26. Paid Mr. Snelsner for Repairing the			
Organ	10	10	0
1779. April. Miss Grettorix for one year's Salary			
Mr. Throsby allowance once in three years for a Gown	, 3	3	0
1784. Paid the Town Servants for attending the Bishop	I	I	0
Paid the Sexton Do.		15	Ó
Paid for the boys breaking two panes of glass at Perambu-			
lation		5	0

1785. Aug. 25. Resolved that the seats in front of the Organ shall be appropriated for the use of the late Ald Newton's 35 charity boys & if necessary projected two feet in the middle ayle.

1786. July 13. At this meeting it appearing on the report of Mr. Lockwood that a subscription hath been set on foot for the purpose of erecting a Clock & Chimes in the Parish Church of S^t Martin & that the sum of £150 had been thereupon raised & it was expected much more would be subscribed—and it also appearing to this meeting that a Clock is absolutely necessary for the ornament of the church & conveniency of the inhabitants of this parish & that chimes have heretofore been used in the church. It is resolved that a Clock & Chimes be immediately erected & that the Churchwardens of the Parish do contract

with Mr. Edward Arnold for making the same upon an estimate now produced by him for the sum of £250.

1787. July 10. At a meeting of the inhabitants of this parish to consider the propriety of having an addition of two bells to the present peal in order that the set of Chimes now making may be the more perfect—It is resolved that two bells are necessary for the above purpose & that the same be erected & set up at the expense of the Inhabitants of this parish by monies to be collected by levy.

104 ayes 46 noes

Witness

58 majority

John Throsby.

To Cash paid Mr. Arnold for Clock & Chimes 240 0 0

1790. April 21. Agreed to enlarge the entrance into S. Martin's Church where the South East door now is.

1791. Octr. 6. Ordered that the lead covering the north ayle be immediately recast & such other proper repairs done to that part of the church as the Church Wardens shall think necessary.

1800. Feb. 25. Miss Sarah Valentine elected Organist in room of Miss Greatorex resigned: 150 appearing for Miss Valentine & only one for Mr. Hill another candidate.

Ringers at election of Organist..... 0 10 0

1801. April 6. Ordered that the sum of Thirty pounds be allowed & paid annually to the rev⁴ Mr. Gregory Vicar of this parish & his successors for the time being for the rent of the Vicarage House instead of the present allowance of £11 6s. 8d.

That an additional salary of eight pounds a year be allowed & paid to the organist of this parish.

That an additional Salary of Three pounds per annum be allowed & paid to the Clerk of this parish.

1804. A	pril 14. F	aid Wm Heyrick Esq' for conducting			
the prosecu	tion agains	t Wm Taylor for stealing & Tho. Pearce			
for receiving	g lead from	S. Martin's Church as p. Bill	14	12	31
the expence		rdered that 4 stoves be erected in the rish.	chu	rch	at
1806. Ja	n. 31. P	for Nelson's Funeral [That is tolling			
the bells]			0	10	0
July 5.	P ⁴ Fewkes	Dog Flogger	0	10	0
		[He received 10s. a quarter.]			
Oct. 6.	Paid the cl	hange ringers	2	0	0
The Relli	s mare contin	ually being rung for Victories obtained by o	uv as	/222 A/	8
		be quoted as samples of many more.]:—		<i>""</i>	
1812-13.	Aug. 17.	Lord Wellington's Victory	1	0	0
	Sep. 6.	Do	0	10	0
1813-14.	July 4.	Paid Ringers for P. W. Victory	1	0	0
100	Aug. 16.	Do	1	0	0
	Nov. 5.	Vict* over Bonep*	2	0	0
	26.	for Victory La W. & alies	2	0	0
	May 17.	for Victory over Bonep'	1	0	0
	Aug. 6.	Do	1	0	0
	11.	for 2 days for Do. resignation	1	10	0
1814-15.	June 3.	News of Peace with France Dble day	1	0	0
	9.	P4 Ringers 3 dble days during the			
		festivities in Leicester on account			

Deace with France

	Sep. 22. P ^d Ringers for ringing on account of Victory obtained over the Americans with the destruction of Wash-			
	ington &c.	0	10	0
	Feb. 15. P ⁴ Ringers Dble day Peace being ratified with America	1	o	o
1815-16.	June 22. Ringers for Victory over Buonaparte	I	o	o
	Do. grand defeat of Do	I	0	О
	July 8. Do. for 2nd entry of Lord Wellington		•	
	in Paris	I	0	o
	22. Do. for Capture of Buonaparte	I	o	o
1838.				
	Church	1	0	0
1843-44.	At Queen passing through Leicester		10	0
1844-5.	Arrival of New Vicar		10	0

Soon after the celebration of the arrival of the "New Vicar," the Rev⁴ Edward Thomas Vaughan, by the ringing of the bells, as notified in the last entry, extracted from the Accounts of the Churchwardens, S. Martin's Church entered upon a new era in its existence. The fabric was in a sadly decayed and decaying condition. Several meetings were held at which Resolutions were passed initiating a long series of works of rebuilding which now (after a lapse of nearly forty years during which, with intervals of more or less duration, they have been in progress) are, it is supposed, approaching completion. Nearly the whole church has been rebuilt. Much loving care and great liberality have marked the progress of the work which step by step has led to the present result.



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